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The Rev. Vincent Eckholm of St. Ignatius of Antioch Episcopal Church blesses Lauren Bluthardt 6, of Antioch after he gave first communion to her older sister Brittney 7, (far left) as their father, Brent, smiles, waiting to take communion from his rector for the last time. Joyce Kiyoharo of Antioch, (background) waits for her communion. Eckholm performed his final first communion as rector Easter Sunday for the parish he has served for more than two decades.

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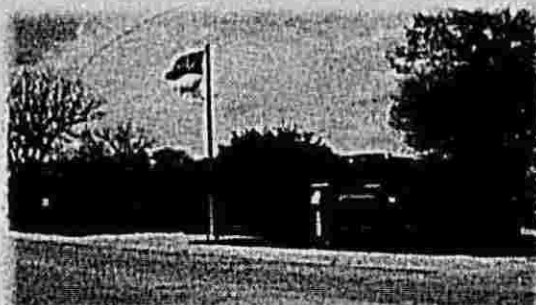
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Priest's love for others is returned

By TARA CLIFTON

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ANTIOCH — The Rev. Vincent Eckholm's windowed office sits inside a corner of St. Ignatius Church, at the intersection of Deep Lake Road and Depot Street.

His wooden desk faces outside, pedestrians and traffic clearly visible. Besides sunlight, a single lamp on his desk softly illuminates the room, decorated with various symbols of his faith. The Virgin Mary sits on a shelf among many books, Jesus' visage looks out from a framed painting, and rosaries are draped in various places.

Eckholm's golden retriever, Betsy, lies on her side under his desk sleeping peacefully. She and his other dog, Cana, go everywhere with him.

Eckholm, an Episcopal priest, sits on a chair beside his work space, smiling. His face exudes warmth and kindness,

the sort of face that makes someone he just met want to spill a whole life story to him.

It is his loving aura that has enabled him to lead St. Ignatius for over 20 years, and has made those who have known Eckholm love him just as much in return.

Easter Sunday was his last service at St. Ignatius.

In other's eyes

"I don't think there were many dry eyes there," said Kenneth Miller, who has made St. Ignatius his church home for the past year.

Eckholm gave Miller's daughter, Clara, 7, her first communion that day.

Miller said he and his family, wife Anne and two other children, Davis and Julian, both 5, love the casual atmosphere Eckholm created at the church.

Miller said Eckholm and his wife of three years, Cynthia, visited for dinner once.

Everyone talked as friends, Miller said.

"He's not the one where he wants to push religion, but develop it as you connect to your own spirituality," Miller said. "Many pastors I've known have been knowledgeable. Father Eckholm has wisdom of humankind and wisdom of his faith, and that makes a difference to the people around him."

Making a difference for others has been Eckholm's simple wish throughout his life, he said.

Years of service

Raised in New York City and then Chicago, Eckholm grew up as a Roman Catholic, and wanted to be a priest since he was 3. After years of hard work he got his wish and was ordained in 1967. During the 1960s, however, Eckholm said he became disillusioned with Roman Catholicism, and in 1975 he became an Episcopalian.

Throughout the '60s and '70s, Eckholm's role as a priest took forms he never expected.

As a young seminarian, Eckholm worked on the south side of Chicago. He patrolled with police officers at night "to see what they were dealing with." He helped youth involved in gangs and other dangerous activities.

He also served five years at Cathedral Shelter, a church and social service agency that helped those who were down and out, Eckholm said. He counseled drunks, convicts, the homeless and the helpless.

"This was the most depressing part of my priesthood, but it was where Christ wanted me to be," Eckholm said.

Eckholm then went on to head a parish in Shenandoah, Iowa. On the outskirts of the town was a Mexican area that many people in Shenandoah didn't want to believe existed. Despite blatant opposition from some congregation members,

Eckholm baptized the Mexican residents and helped them however he could.

Back in Antioch

Eventually, after working again in Chicago with troubled boys, Eckholm was invited to be interim priest at St. Ignatius while the congregation searched for a new priest. After 15 months, Eckholm said he finally asked a church elder what was going on, and found out that church members liked Eckholm enough to keep him.

Eckholm liked it enough to stay.

He grew to know and love each church member, Eckholm said.

"I know everyone's first names, their pets' names," Eckholm said. "I know what they don't want me to know."

Eckholm especially got to know a woman named Betsy.

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fishing. It makes sense that a county
named Lake would have a lot of folks who
are interesting in fishing.

So, why shouldn't the local newspaper
reflect that interest?

Starting today, the Journal will carry a
column by Steve Sarley, who will write
weekly about outdoors issues, especially
fishing and hunting.

Steve's name might sound familiar.
He has been an outdoors writer and
broadcaster for 10 years, having written
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"Serving our communities to make
them better places to live"

"I'm very excited to be back in Antioch"
—Alicia Corrigan (see story on A6)

Tears and laughter

Family, friends gather to remember
Lakes High student, his love of life

By TARA CLIFTON
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GURNEE — Eric Swanson took the podium Saturday afternoon at Village Church of Gurnee. The University of Illinois student wore a white dress shirt with an orange, striped tie, paired with brown surf shorts and sneakers.

Despite facing a crowded sanctuary, and the fact that he was speaking of his brother, Ryan, who died April 9, Eric's composure was steady and lighthearted.

Eric explained why he wore an odd outfit. His constant goal was to make Ryan, 15, laugh, and often found success. Eric said he wore silly outfits to get a smile out of his little brother. Sometimes Ryan would laugh at Eric even when he wore his normal clothes.

Ryan's laughter was what people remembered and talked about the most at that day's memorial service at the church. It was laughter, his Lake Villa family said, that sustained Ryan, enabled him to enjoy life and overcome the obstacles of having cerebral palsy.

Recognition

Ryan was one of several Lake County students selected to receive an award from Infinitec North, a partner of the Special Education District of Lake County. SEDOL and Infinitec aim to give technology to students with disabilities to assist them with their everyday lives. Beth Lippert, speech and language coordinator and assistive technology team coordinator for SEDOL, said Ryan used a voice-activated language simulator, along with other devices.

Ryan was lauded for his use of this technology to communicate with others, and was able to take mainstream classes as a freshman at Lakes Community High School.

Help kids like Ryan

What: Ryan J. Swanson Memorial Fund

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Why: Donated money will be used to create a scholarship to be given to students who have used technology to overcome their disabilities

Ryan was excited about the award, his parents, Chuck and Jennifer, said. He would have attended a SEDOL awards ceremony April 27, his birthday.

Ryan was perfectly healthy up until three weeks ago, when he was admitted to Children's Hospital of Wisconsin for slight complications related to the flu, Chuck said. But Ryan's health unexplainedly deteriorated, leaving his family and friends shocked.

Remembering

Many came forward during the memorial service to share stories of their love for Ryan. Sounds of sniffing and chuckling bounced off the wooden, cathedral ceiling.

Mary Wirth, Ryan's lifelong occupational specialist, said Ryan wanted to become a computer programmer, and loved learning the latest updates to computers.

Ryan was thrilled, Wirth said, when he received a voice activated switch to use the speech simulator.

"He was so proud and so determined to get his thoughts communicated," Wirth said. "He was an awesome teenager. Ryan was a joy. He had joy within himself and for his family."

Even without gadgets, Ryan still made himself understood by simply smiling, and most often by laughing.

Jim Jordan, one of Ryan's grandfathers, said Ryan loved movies, and always received DVDs for birthday and holiday



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Chuck and Jennifer Swanson embrace friends and family during a memorial service for their son, Ryan, 15, at the Village Church of Gurnee. Ryan was a student at Lakes High School in Lake Villa and recently received an award for his use of technology from the Special Education District of Lake County. Ryan's brother, Eric, is also pictured.

gifts.

Last week, Jim said he bought Ryan "King Kong" and "The Chronicles of Narnia."

"I held up the movies so Ryan could see them, and I got that smile," Jim said, his voice quavering slightly.

Eric related examples of the many times he wrestled with Ryan, trapped him in head locks, and would "shove him into walls." And Eric said he never had the luck that Ryan had with the ladies.

"Girls would just flock to

him," Eric said.

Ryan often called for Eric whenever he came home from school, work or other activities. Eric said he always felt like he was Ryan's protector.

But his little brother gave him gifts he will always remember.

"Ryan looked up to me, but not many people know how much I looked up to him," Eric said. "His enthusiasm for life was just amazing. He taught me so much about life without even knowing it."

Official flower



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Daffodils bask in the sunlight in front of BJ Hooper School in Lindenhurst. In recent months, Lindenhurst officials declared the daffodil to be their village flower.

Our Town

This bank loves kids who save

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Tara Clifton

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Refreshments, balloons and prizes will be on hand as well as gifts for all kids.

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Those who like interesting stories should attend Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church of Antioch. The Rev. David Andrus, executive director of Lutheran Blind Mission, will be a guest speaker and tell his tale of helping others in extraordinary ways despite going blind at the age of 8.

Andrus will speak at 10:45 and 12:30 p.m. April 30 at the Antioch/Lake Villa Township Center, 1625 Deep Lake Road, Lake Villa.

If you have interesting information or anecdotes to submit for "Our Town," e-mail reporter Tara Clifton at tclifton@nwnewsgroup.com

AUGS finds assistant principal

Hunt for principal will continue

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH — Alicia Corrigan has come back home.

Corrigan, 28, will start July 1 as assistant principal at Antioch Upper Grade School, replacing Jason Lind.

She won't enter unfamiliar

territory, however. Corrigan was the behavior disorder itinerant teacher at Antioch Upper Grade and W.C. Petty schools from 2001 to 2004.

Most recently, she worked at Camelot Therapeutic Day School in Palatine as assistant principal.

Corrigan was chosen from a pool of roughly 140 applicants, said Scott Thompson, School District 34 superintendent.

"I'm very excited to be back in Antioch," Corrigan said,



Alicia Corrigan
New assistant principal at AUGS

principal at the middle school.

smiling widely. "I'm hoping I can live up to the standards Jason set."

Lind will be the new principal of Millburn School.

Officials also are hunting for a new

Thompson said about 30 applications were sent in, and administrators narrowed it down to four people.

Corrigan said she happened to be job searching when an old friend from the district told her the assistant principal position had a vacancy.

Corrigan put in her application and went through an extensive interview process. First she interviewed with Thompson, then the district administrative team and finally

with representatives from Antioch Upper Grade School.

"It was very difficult to find someone to fill [Lind's] shoes," Thompson said. "But she's terrific and energetic. She understands the community."

Corrigan said she can't wait to get started, and enjoys being back.

"This community is growing, so it has endless opportunities," Corrigan said. "But it still has that hometown feel, and I'm excited about that."



Antioch Elementary School teacher's aide Shelby Wais helps students out of a limousine as they arrive at the Rainforest Café at Gurnee Mills. Fourth and fifth-graders at the school won the opportunity through a reading incentive program.

Limo ride reward for kids' reading goals

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH — Parents and staffers at Antioch Elementary School rewarded students who met or exceeded the school's reading program goals with a limousine ride.

Students were picked up by

a limo at the elementary school and driven to the Rainforest Café at Gurnee Mills.

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Renee S. Blakeney, 34, 284 Anita Terrace, Antioch, suspended license, improper lane usage, April 9.

No valid driver's license

Ana Maria Perez, 49, 22045 Cedar Dr., Antioch, no valid license, illegal squealing of tires, driving uninsured, defective windshield, April 14.

Terri Lee Taylor-Poole, 55, 27310 113th St., Trevor, Wis., no valid license, driving with one head light, April 15.

Ricardo Nunez-Cambray, 30, 1338 Dodge St., Lake Geneva,

Wis., no valid license, improper lane usage, April 12.

Revoked driver's license

Greg S. Tikovitsch, 31, 25133 W. Edgar Ave., Antioch, revoked license, defective rear plate light, April 12.

DUI

Henry J. Wright, 22, 25411 W. Arcade Dr., Lake Villa, DUI, failure to signal, no proof of insurance, April 10.

LAKE VILLA

Revoked driver's license

Darren A. Lyon, 35, 676 Anita Ave., Antioch, revoked license, suspended registration, driving uninsured, April 12.

Chris A. Biel, 29, 8901 269th Ave., Salem, Wis., revoked license, speeding, April 13.

Fabian Ramirez-Rivera, 35, 1025 N. Cedar Lake Road, Round Lake Beach, revoked license, driving without a front license plate, driv-

ing uninsured, April 12.

Gabriel H. Cordero, 36, 25262 Hermann Ave., Antioch, revoked license, April 10.

Possession

Scott P. Schem, 18, 155 Robin Crest, Lindenhurst, possession of drug paraphernalia, April 10.

Suspended driver's license

Brian S. Lane, 41, 1406 Cherokee, Round Lake Beach, suspended license, defective windshield, April 5.

Francisco J. Vargas, 33, 2847 N. Austin Ave., Chicago, suspended license, April 6.

Michael J. Day, 32, 418 Hampton Drive, Lake Villa, suspended license, expired registration, April 5.

Antonio Tellez, 23, 926 Southmoor Road, Round Lake Beach, suspended license, April 9.

John L. King, 43, 8339 Christina Ave., Skokie, suspended license, speeding, April 9.

DUI

Bernard J. Nelson, 48, 136 North Shore Drive, Lake Villa, DUI, DUI over .08, speeding, April 7.

No valid driver's license

Roberto Blancas, 44, 274 Franklin Blvd., Elgin, no valid license, obstructed rear window, driving uninsured, April 9.

LINDENHURST

Suspended driver's license

Kathrine M. Trovini, 23, 4112 Washington, Kenosha, Wis., suspended license, April 11.

Fernando Cabral, 25, 10405 W. Crissy, Beach Park, suspended license, no proof of insurance, April 13.

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Karyn M. Olszak, 22, 511 Whispering Pines Road, Lindenhurst, suspended license, no proof of insurance, April 15.

Mary E. Arroyo, 43, 7 Valewood Court, Streamwood, suspended license, expired registration, no proof of insurance, April 16.

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Speeches to address village progress

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH — Mayor Dorothy Larson said she plans to speak about the village's progress over the past year during her State of Antioch address.

Larson will not be the only one to address the audience at noon on Wednesday, April 26 at Double Eagle Sports Club, 955 Route 59, in Antioch. Claude LeMere, director of community services and special events, will give an update of the Lake Street project, and other officials will speak, including Antioch Township Supervisor Steve Smouse.

Larson said the village has tackled much in the past year. "It's incredible what [we] have accomplished," Larson said. "There are so many positive things going on."

In January, the village purchased 12 acres of land along North Avenue for \$425,000 with



Dorothy Larson
Antioch mayor

the intent of building an aquatic center. Plans still are in progress for specific uses.

The village also has moved quickly with the Lake Street project, which started in the middle of March. Workers are moving ahead of schedule, Larson said, with the original finish goal set at May 15.

The mayor will address attendants about Antioch's plans for the future, including upcoming steps of current projects.

"It's a cohesive staff," Trustee Mary J. Turner said. "We work well together."

Registration is necessary to attend the address. Tickets cost \$10 per person. Call the Antioch Chamber of Commerce at (847)

Ethel's Woods gets additional land

Nearly 7 acres added

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH — Residents will have easier access to Ethel's Woods Forest Preserve, now that its boundaries are closer to the village.

The Lake County Forest Preserve District passed a resolution Friday to purchase 6.6 acres east of Antioch, south of Route 173 and east of Route 45.

Bill Davis, land preservation manager for the district, said the extra acreage will smooth out the woods' boundary line,

making it easier to take care of and more accessible for nature lovers.

Davis said the county preserve would like to add trails to the new parcel and improve existing ones.

Ethel's Woods is located in Antioch and Newport townships. The forest is named after Ethel Untermeyer who headed a successful 1958 referendum campaign that formed the forest preserve district. She did it for her 3-year-old, Frank, who told her he wanted a place to play in the woods.

COMMUNITY

Officials consider sprucing up alley

Idea part of effort to add green space

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH — Located on Main Street is an alley to the right of Binanti's Taste of Italy. Village Trustee Barbara Porch is hoping to make that alley more pedestrian friendly. Officials put trash cans in

the alley to prevent motorists from using the alley as a short cut. It has worked for the most part, Porch said, but the village wants the alley to be more accessible to those on foot.

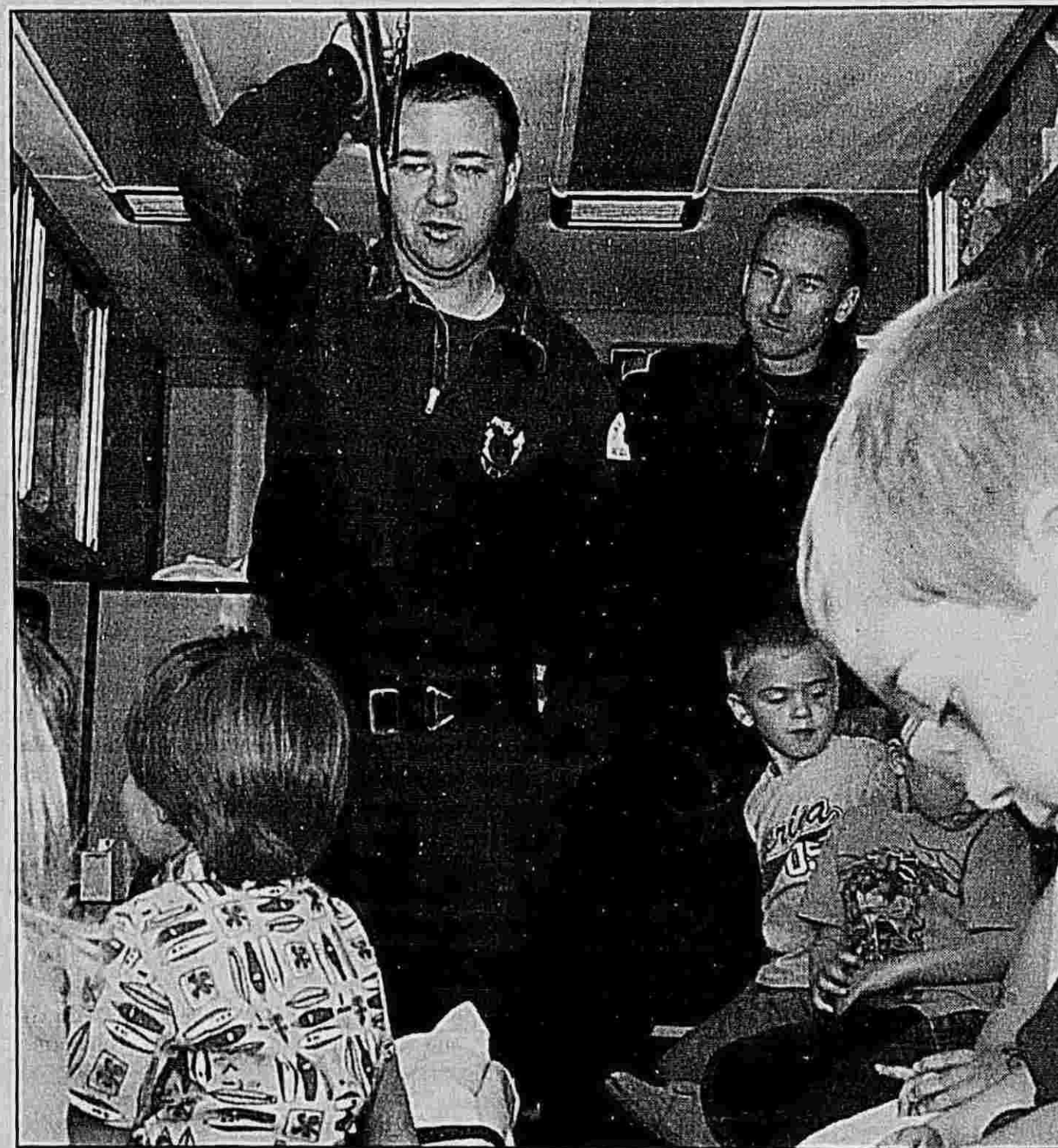
Village administrators are shopping around to find out how much revamping the alley would cost.

Officials would like to put a tiered walkway in the alley, Porch said. Timbers would be stacked like a staircase, but separated by grass for people to walk on.

The idea comes from the preliminary findings of the Route 83 Corridor and Downtown Study, Porch said. One of the recommendations of the design firm is to add more trees, grass and plants to the downtown area, and officials are trying to take their advice to action.

"The more green space we have in our downtown, the friendlier our shopping community will be," Porch said.

Tour time



Jim Utinans and Brad Bocox, paramedics with the Lake Villa Rescue Squad, give a tour of a squad ambulance to students at the Lindenhurst Early Childhood Center.

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Waitress at Port of Blarney,
administrative assistant at Park and
Recreation department of the Village of
Antioch

I graduated from:
Antioch '03

Community involvement:
Antioch Parks Special Events

What I like best about my town:
I loved growing up here. The taste of
Antioch is always fun. The way the
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holidays is a wonderful tradition

Hobbies:
Scrap booking, spending time with my
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"The Notebook"

Favorite band:
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Cubs

Favorite restaurant:
Olive Garden

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My mom's spaghetti

If I had a million dollars I would:
Buy a house, start a college fund for my
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parents on a vacation and then take
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Nuttie's wants last call on 'last call'

Bar owner asks for parity with other local municipalities on closing hours

By **BRENDA BALIN**
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No one likes having an earlier curfew than his peers, especially if that curfew is tied to business profits, as Nuttie's Bar owner John Skoulios believes it is.

Skoulios is continuing to challenge Lake Villa's 2-year-old ordinance that closes bars at 1 a.m. on weekdays and 2 a.m. on weekends.

The board opted for the earlier hours (formerly 2 a.m. and 3 a.m., respectively) to conform to Lake County regulations, and eliminate the "mad dash" to last call.

Skoulios maintains the effect is that about half his former patrons have instead taken their business for the entire evening to adjacent localities that allow bars to remain open an hour later.

"I didn't lose only 1 hour of

business," he said. "Since nearly every other town allows later hours, customers are going directly there."

On weekends, Nuttie's is not losing much business to Lindenhurst, where the liquor sales closing ordinance was changed to a straight 2 a.m. for all classes of license (both service and packaged goods) on all days of the week.

Skoulios' patrons are not fleeing to Grayslake or Gurnee, either, where bars close at the same time as in Lake Villa.

However, Antioch allows some bars to remain open on the 2 to 3 a.m. schedule, as does Fox Lake.

Lake Villa board members are reluctant to revert to the old schedule, claiming Skoulios' alleged 53 percent loss in revenue is because of the closing of his kitchen in 2003 and the removal of gaming machines from the premises in 2004.

"Three years ago, I took the kitchen out," Skoulios said. "In the seven years I had the bar, I never made any profit on food."

Removing the 200-square-foot kitchen allowed Skoulios to increase the bar area.

He said with the reallocated space, bar profits increased during the year before the new closing hours went into effect.

At the same time the closing hours were changed, the village also banned gaming machines in bars, although Skoulios said the VFW was allowed to keep its hours.

"The village said they are a not-for-profit business, so they allowed it," he said.

Skoulios said most of his gaming business was during the day. With the removal of the machines, he lost enough daytime clientele to make it unprofitable to remain open during the day, at all.

Skoulios said he did not get bar revenue from the daytime patrons, as he provided complimentary drinks to those who played the slot machines.

Lake Villa Mayor Frank Loffredo said the board was continuing to discuss the merits of reversing the ordinance, although, he said, "We deliberated long and hard about this. It would take a great deal to change it back."

He said the board might ask Skoulios to provide five years of tax records to substantiate his claim of a correlation between the decrease in hours and the decrease in revenue.

Skoulios said he was willing to open his records to the board, but not to the public.

Skoulios said other bar owners in the area, including the owners of Cedar Inn, Bright Eyes Lounge and Prime Time Saloon, supported his position. The owners of the other bars could not be reached for comment.

Loffredo said the board would continue to discuss the issue in committee meetings. Committee meetings are held every Wednesday, at 7 p.m., at the village hall. The meetings are open to the public.

Habitat for Humanity seeks homebuyers

Habitat for Humanity Lake County will hold three informational meetings this month, one of which will be in Spanish, for families interested in applying to purchase

What it means

What: Habitat for Humanity Lake County meetings for potential homebuyers

When: April 25 from 7 to 9 p.m. and April 29 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in English, April 29 from noon to 2 p.m. in Spanish

Where: Waukegan Public Library, 128 N. County Street, Waukegan
More information: Call (847) 623-1020 on weekdays

a Habitat house.

The homes are sold at no profit, with a 30-year, interest-free mortgage. Habitat will be building in south Waukegan and North Chicago.

The meetings will take place April 25 and 29 at the Waukegan Public Library, 128 N. County St. in downtown Waukegan.

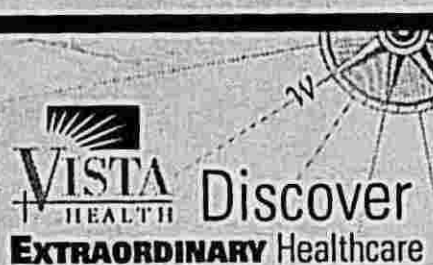
Families that are interested in a Habitat House must attend one of the meetings in order to apply.

Applicants need attend only one meeting but must be on time and stay for the full two

hours to receive an application. Children may not attend the meeting and may not be left unattended in the library.

Applicants must be residents of Lake County and legal U.S. residents whose current housing is substandard, overcrowded or otherwise seriously inadequate.

An annual income between \$26,400 and \$40,000 is required and families must be willing to be partners with Habitat by working 500 hours on the construction of their house or other Habitat needs.



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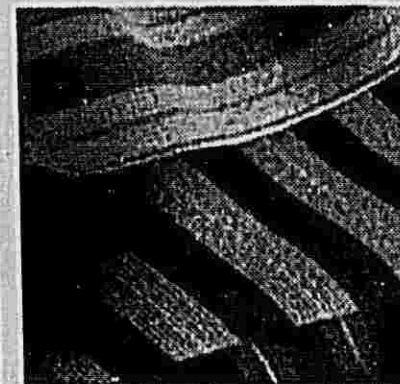
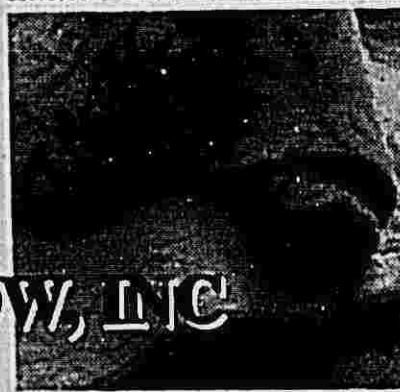
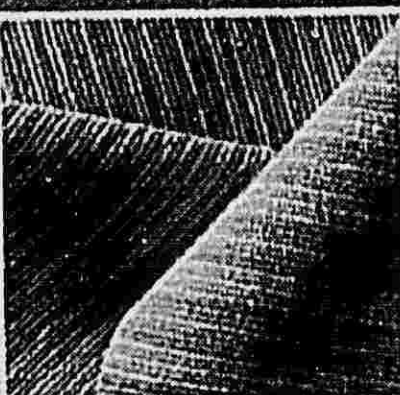
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• School news

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District summer school will be held at Antioch Upper Grade School, 800 Highview Dr. The first session will run from 8:30 a.m. to noon from June 12 to 29. Session two will run from 8:30 a.m. to noon from July 31 to August 10.

For class information and tuition fees, call (847) 838-8374.

International dinner

Antioch Elementary School will hold its first International Dinner at 6 p.m. on April 22 at the school gym, 817 N. Main St.

Students, parents and staff will enjoy a meal of various foods from throughout the world. A market featuring different ethnic items will also be available.

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Prom tickets

Antioch Community High School will hold its prom from 6:30 to 11:30 p.m. on May 20 in the forum room of Grand Geneva Resort, 7036 Grand Geneva Way, Lake Geneva, Wis.

Discounted tickets will be on sale from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on April 22 in the commons at

ACHS. Tickets cost \$50 a person or \$100 a couple.

Tickets can be bought during lunchtime at the school from May 2 to 4. Costs are \$55 a person or \$110 a couple.

Guest information forms must be completed for non-ACHS students. Seating requests also are needed. These forms can be picked up at the Dean's office.

For more information, call the school at (847) 395-1421.

Signups for summer school

Students can sign up for summer school classes, which will be held at Antioch Community High School. At the last district board meeting, Superintendent Jay Sabatino said summer school will be for only remedial students this year.

Summer classes will be held from June 13 to July 21. Contact Wilbur Borrero at (847) 838-7622, for more information.

Driver's education classes will be held at ACHS and Lakes Community High School, with students attending at their home campus.

The registration deadline for both driving instruction and summer school is June 12.

Priest sees volunteer work ahead

• PRIEST

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"She was the type of woman that made your heart stop when she walked in the room,"

Eckholm said, sighing and smiling up at the ceiling, lost in memories.

Eckholm and Betsy married, and she introduced him to her dogs, the reason that he keeps golden retrievers by his side.

But after seven years of marriage, Betsy died from a brain tumor. Around the same time, one of Eckholm's best friends died.

This is how Eckholm grew to know Cynthia, his current wife. They courted and comforted each other for about eight years before marrying.

And now with his career at

St. Ignatius ended, Eckholm said he is making plans for the future, thinking of helping other churches, volunteering for the sick or possibly becoming a chaplain for the Antioch police and fire departments.

"A priest is always a priest," Eckholm said. "It's a permanent impression made on a human being by God."

Eckholm's life has not always gone as he expected, he said, but he wouldn't change anything.

"I've been happy with everything God has done with me," Eckholm said.



Annie Christie - achristie@nwnewsgroup.com

The Rev. and Mrs. Eckholm receive affection from their dogs, Cana (left), and Betsey. Eckholms concluded their last service at St. Ignatius of Antioch Episcopal Church on Easter Sunday. The dogs accompanied them for all their church duties.

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Band concert

The Lakes Area Community Band invites residents to its Mother's Day Concert at 7:30 p.m. May 8 in the Antioch Community High School auditorium, 1133 Main St. The music will include works from composers Carl Teike, Richard Strauss, and a piece by Jeffrey Ouper of Antioch.

Admission is free and refreshments will be available. Call (847) 395-0272 for more information.

Arbor Day

The village's annual Arbor Day event will be held April 29 at the Antioch Senior Center on Holbek Drive, near the police and fire stations.

The Antioch Arbor Day Committee needs volunteers to help plant, spread mulch and spruce up the area around the Senior Center during the event.

The committee will give out five Colorado Blue Spruce seedlings to anyone who asks for them from 10 a.m. to noon.

Residents can contact the parks and recreation department at 806 Holbek Dr. to fill out an application to reserve the seedlings, 14 to 22 inches tall. Only 800 seedlings are available.

For more information, call (847) 395-2160.

Brush pickup

Village workers are picking up curbside brush piles through October.

Brush must be piled at the curb by 7 a.m. and will be picked up the second Monday of each month. No return trips will be made.

Piles should be stacked with the butt end facing the road and no larger than 4 inches in diameter.

Wood chips can be picked up at the Saw Mill Parking area. Residents can call the public works department at (847) 395-1881 to have a truck load of wood chips delivered.

Vehicle stickers

Drivers can pick up applications

for vehicle stickers at the village hall from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mondays and from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays.

Stickers cost \$10 each for car, truck or motorcycle. Senior citizens, 65 and older, pay \$1. For more information, call the village hall at (847) 395-1000.

Open Arms raises spring funds

In March and April, Open Arms Mission will partner with the Feinstein Foundation, which is matching cash donations during these two months. The mission hopes to raise \$15,000 to purchase food and other items for the summer when donations are usually lower.

To help out or get more information, call Open Arms at (847) 395-0309. Items or money can be sent to Open Arms Mission, P.O. Box 79, Antioch, IL 60002.

Health Screenings

The Open Arms Mission in Antioch will host a free health screening day sponsored by Lake Forest Hospital. Residents can be checked for blood pressure, blood sugar, bone density and more.

The screening will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. April 26 at the mission, 1548 S. Main St.

For more information, call (847) 395-0309.

Trash Cans

The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County is selling compost bins at various locations.

The St. Peter Church youth group of Antioch sells Earth Machines and Tumblers. Earth Machines, costing \$20, hold 1 cubic yard of organic waste that owners stir manually. The Tumbler is a barrel-shaped container that rotates around a metal stand when pushed. It holds 7 cubic feet of waste and costs \$70.

The church is at 900 St. Peter St., on the corner of Lake Street and Route 173.

Call (847) 395-0246 for more information.

Births

Alexis Lynn Edling,

a daughter, was born March 17 at Lake Forest Hospital to Scott and Corinne Edling of Antioch. Her brothers are Shane, 11 and Tyler, 7. Grandparents are George and Janice Grandsart of Antioch; Barbara Edling of Chicago. Great grandparent is Sarah Dirzulaitis of Chicago.

Troy Richard Dean Redfern,

a son, was born March 16 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Deborah Redfern of Trevor, Wis. Grandparents are Jackie and Richard Prostko of Portage, Wis.; Karen and Alan Deline of Hayward, Wis. and Cheryline and Robert Redfern of Jefferson City, Tenn.

Madison Rylee Keveena Neubauer,

a daughter, was born March 15 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Ashley Neubauer of Antioch. Grandparent is Kathryn Neubauer of Antioch. Elijah David Conejo, a son, was born March 12 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Tiffany and David Conejo of Antioch. His sister is Alicya, 2. Grandparents are Kathleen and Mike Shuth of Antioch and Joe Gusek of Rockford.

Olivia Jane Marcell,

a daughter, was born Feb. 18 at Lake Forest Hospital to Ben and Emily Marcell of Antioch. Her sister is Ana Grace, 21 months. Grandparents are Bernard and Jo Marcell of Menomonee Falls, Wis.; Anne Lindeke of Hortonville, Wis. and Don Fahrenkrug, of Colorado.

Cassandra 'Cassi' Anne Cudahy,

a daughter, was born Feb. 24 at Lake Forest Hospital to Sandra J. Simon and Michael J. Cudahy of Trevor, Wis. Grandparents are Sharon Simon of Antioch and Mary Cudahy of Trevor, Wis.

Alicia Catherine Childers, a daughter was born March 8 at Lake Forest Hospital to Angie

and Jeremy Childers of Antioch. Her sisters are Miah, 5, and Julia, 4. Grandparents are Tina Tortorici and Tony Maniscalco of Gurnee; Lisa Childers of Beach Park and Gary Childers of Fulton, Miss.

Carter Alexander Gras,

a son, was born March 24 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Patrick and Barbara Gras of Antioch. Grandparents are Fred and Claudia Gras of Libertyville; Roger and Nancy Bythewood of Waukegan. Great grandparents are Fred and Margaret Gras of Seattle, Wash. and Lorraine Schwandt of Libertyville.

Laila Daybreak Salata,

a daughter, was born March 6, at Lake Forest Hospital to Brad and Jodi Salata of Antioch. Her brother is Braydon, 22 months. Grandparents are Jim and Sue Hyerdall of Lake Villa and Ray and Linda Salata of Wildwood.

Riley Thomas Nava,

a son, was born March 10 at Lake Forest Hospital to Frank and Cindi Nava of Antioch. His brother is Branden, 2. Grandparents are Nancy Nava of Antioch and Richard Gruber of Ingleside.

Skylar Marie Shifflett,

a daughter, was born March 16 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Lisa and Donald Shifflett of Antioch. Her brothers are William Jones, 5 and Donald Shifflett II, 1. Grandparents are Tammy Shanic of Oakhill, W. Va. And Drema Philpott of Antioch. Great grandparent is Doris Evans of Oakhill, W. Va.

Mason Donald Lobodzinski,

a son, was born March 13 at Lake Forest Hospital to Ron and Karen Lobodzinski of Antioch. His sister is Gloria, 2. Grandparents are Don and Rose Lobodzinski of Antioch; Gayle and Marx Groves of Garfield, Ark. And Leo LaPalm of Bassett, Wis.

Jimmy John's to have grand opening

Events next week will feature sale, prizes

MUNDELEIN – Sandwich fans have something to look forward to next week.

Mundelein's newest Jimmy John's, at 684 S. Lake St., will have grand-opening parties on both Friday, April 28 and Saturday, April 29 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. both days.

The sandwich shop will sell award-winning subs for \$1.50 and chips and drinks for just 50 cents each. Prizes, including party platters, t-shirts and hats, will be given away.

Jimmy John's is open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and delivers to Mundelein and the surrounding areas.

The shop's owners, Michael Dagel and Ashish Patel, also own a Jimmy John's in Grayslake. They plan to open another location in Wheeling later this year.

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• **Antioch Public Library District Board meeting.** 7 p.m., last Tuesdays. 757 N. Main St. Call (847) 395-0874 to confirm.

• **Bingo.** 12:45 p.m., Mondays. The Senior Center. Call (847) 395-0139 for details.

• **Bingo.** 6:45 p.m., Tuesdays, Antioch VFW. Doors open 4:30 p.m. Call (847) 395-5393 for more information.

• **Pinochle.** 12:30 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays. The Senior Center. Call (847) 395-0139 for details.

• **A Safe Place support group meeting.** Mondays. For women who are dealing with abuse in their homes. All are welcome. No fees. Call A Safe Place at (847) 249-4450 or (847) 249-6557 (TTY) or go to asafeplaceforhelp.org for more information.

• **CPR classes.** 6 p.m., second and fourth Wednesdays. Squad Bldg., 835 Holbek Dr., sponsored by Antioch Rescue Squad. \$5 fee. Call (847) 395-5511 to learn more.

• **Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting.** 6:30 p.m., Wednesdays, weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting. The Senior Center, 817 Holbek Dr. Call Dorothy Stark at (847) 395-7407 or Betty Muller at (847) 838-3907 for more information.

• **Kiwanis Club of Antioch meeting.** Noon, Tuesdays. Bacchus Restaurant. The public is welcome to join and share experience, knowledge and service project ideas. Call Melissa at (847) 489-8044 or e-mail at mjrigoni@hotmail.com for more information.

• **Antioch Jaycees meeting.** 7:30 p.m., last Mondays. Regency Inn. For more information, call (847) 395-8035.

• **AARP Chapter 387 (for adults 55+) meeting.** 1 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays. The Senior Center, 817 Holbek Dr. Call Sharon Nowak at (847) 395-5068 to learn more.

• **Lakes Region Historical Society meeting.** 7:30 p.m., fourth Thursdays. Museum, 817 Main St. Call Wendy Mastom at (847) 395-1459 or Nancy Binder at (847) 395-1453 for additional details.

• **Northern Illinois Conservation Club meeting.** 7 p.m., fourth Mondays. Clubhouse, one-half mi south of Rt. 173 on east side of Rt. 83. For more information, call (847) 395-NICC or visit www.lake-online.com/nicc.

• **Irish-American Club meeting.**

7:30 p.m., fourth Thursdays. State Bank of the Lakes. Call (847) 395-3942 for details.

• **Lakes Area Community Band rehearsal.** 7-9 p.m., Mondays. Antioch Community High School band room. Area musicians high school age and older are welcome to join. No auditions. Call Debbie Davis at (847) 395-0272 to learn more.

• **Open gym.** 7-9 p.m., Sundays. Antioch Community High School. \$2. Adults only.

FOX LAKE

• **Wheel-Go Camping Club outing.** April 28-30. Chain O' Lakes State Park. The club is recruiting fellow empty-nesters to join and get their "rig" off the driveway each month, April-October. For more information, call Pam at (847) 576-0594 or Ron at (773) 859-0594.

• **A Night in Tuscany.** Doors open at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, April 29. American Legion Hall, 703 N. Hwy. 12. Wine tasting and the Lakes Area Swing Band, cold and hot gourmet appetizers, chocolate fountain and sweet table, with live and silent auctions and raffles. Donations are \$40. Tickets available at Fox Lake Harris Bank, Lotus and Stanton Schools. Proceeds benefit enrichment opportunities for all students through the Robert Sayles Fox Lake Grade School Education Foundation. Call Marilyn at (847) 587-0749 for tickets or information.

GRAYSLAKE

• **Earth Day Open House.** 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, April 22. Waste Management Recycle America recycling center, Hwy. 83 north of Peterson Rd. Visitors will be able to take part in free activities and tour the facility.

GURNEE

• **Warren Township High School Board of Education meeting.** 7 p.m., fourth Tuesdays. Warren Twp. Center, 17801 W. Washington.

• **Friends of the Warren-Newport Library meeting.** 1 p.m., fourth Thursdays. Warren-Newport Public Library, 224 N. O'Plaine Rd. New members welcome. Call Noreen Reese at (847) 244-5150, Ext. 3026 for more information.

• **Network Lake County meeting.** 8-9 a.m., Thursdays. A business networking group meeting in Gurnee. Call Boyce Buckner at (847) 838-0058 to learn more.

• **Exchange Club of Gurnee meeting.** Noon, Tuesdays. Saluto's Restaurant, 7680 Grand Ave.

• **Bingo.** 7 p.m., Saturdays. American Legion Hall, 749 Milwaukee Ave.

• **Gurnee Lions Club meeting.** 7 p.m., fourth Wednesdays. Viking Park District building, Grand Ave. For more information, visit www.homestead.com/gurneelions.

• **Gagewood Lions Club meeting.** 7 p.m., fourth Wednesdays. Warren Twp. Center, 17801 Washington St.

• **Gurnee Kiwanis Club meeting.** 7:30-8:30 a.m., Wednesdays. IHOP Restaurant, 5670 Northridge Dr. Call Cathy at (847) 263-4966 for details.

• **Gurnee Rotary Club meeting.** 7:30 a.m., Thursdays. In-Laws Restaurant, 720 N. Milwaukee Ave.

• **Or Tikvah Sisterhood meeting.** 7 p.m., fourth Tuesdays. Warren-Newport Public Library, 224 N. O'Plaine Rd. For more information, call (847) 856-1440.

• **Viking Park Singers rehearsal.** 7:30-9:30 p.m., Tuesdays. Viking Park Dance Hall. Interested singers are welcome.

• **Lake Co. Mother of Twins and More Club meeting.** 6:30 p.m., fourth Tuesdays. Joy Lutheran Church, 749 S. Hunt Club Rd. Call (866) 248-7670, Ext. 1264 before attending.

• **Singles (ages 55+) Breakfast Group meeting.** 8:30 a.m., Saturdays. In-Laws Restaurant, 720 Milwaukee Ave. Call Chuck (847) 362-5458 for details.

• **Lake Co. Philatelic Society meeting.** 7 p.m., fourth Tuesdays. Warren-Newport Public Library, 224 N. O'Plaine Rd. Area stamp collectors are invited. For more information, call (847) 244-4048.

HAINESVILLE

• **Village Board meeting.** 7 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays. 100 N. Hainesville Rd. For more information, call (847) 223-2032.

INGLESIDE

• **Fox Lake/Round Lake Area Rotary meeting.** Noon, Fridays at Za's, 69 Washington.

• **Grant Hall Museum.** 1-4 p.m., Sundays. Fox Lake-Grant Township Area Historical Society, 411 Washington St. Free. Call (847) 587-0544 for information.

• **Grant Twp. Republican Club meeting.** 7:30 p.m., fourth Tuesdays. Township Building, 26725 W. Molitor Rd. Call (847) 740-2233 for more information.

• **Lake Co. Astronomical Society meeting.** 8:30-10 p.m., third Fridays. Volo Bog State Natural Area. Meeting followed by a 9:30 p.m. viewing period. For information, call (815) 344-1294.

LAKE VILLA

• **Weigh to Win meeting.** 7-8 p.m., Tuesdays. Calvary Christian

Center, Monaville Rd. Call (847) 356-6181 to learn more.

• **Lake Villa Take off Pounds Sensibly meeting.** 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays. Church of the Holy Family, 25291 W. Lehman. Call Cathy at (847) 587-7710 or Debbie at (847) 687-5531 for details.

• **MOMS Club of Lake Villa/Lindenhurst meeting.** 9:30 a.m., Mondays. Lake Villa District Library, 1001 Grand Ave. Children welcome. For more information, call Erin Bearss at (847) 546-1545.

LIBERTYVILLE

• **Bicycle Club of Lake Co. meeting.** 7 p.m., Libertyville Civic Center, 135 W. Church St. Life coach Matt Mason will speak on "Excel at the Game You Were Meant to Play." Free and open to the public. For more information, call (847) 604-0520 or visit www.bikeclub.com.

LINDENHURST

• **Lindenhurst Village Board meeting.** 7 p.m., second and fourth Mondays. Village Hall Boardroom. Call (847) 356-8252 for more information.

• **Free blood pressure screening.** 8 a.m.-noon, Mondays. Victory Lakes Continued Care Center, Lindenhurst. Call (847) 356-5900 to learn more.

• **Men's Club of Lindenhurst (ages 21 and older) meeting.** Call (847) 356-5014 (weekends) to learn more.

MILLBURN

• **Springtime Flower Garden Tea.** 2-5 p.m., Sunday, April 23. Millburn Masonic Temple, 38710 Hwy. 45. The Millburn Chapter 570-Order of the Eastern Star is celebrating 100 years. Come and enjoy free various "high tea" favorites, such as scones, savory sandwiches and sweet treats. For more information, call Clarissa Mellen at (847) 244-3698.

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• **Historical Society of the Fort Hill Country meeting.** 2 p.m., Thursday, April 27. Fremont Public Library, 1170 N. Midlothian Rd. John Lobaito presents "Mundelein's Future." Public is welcome. For more information, call (847) 566-7743.

ROUND LAKE

• **Bingo.** 6:30 p.m. Saturdays. St. Joseph's, Lincoln Ave. Doors open at 3:45 p.m.

• **Knights of Columbus Bingo.** 3 p.m., Sundays. St. Joseph's Church, 114 N. Lincoln, Round Lake.

• **A Safe Place support group meeting.** Wednesdays. For women who are dealing with abuse in their homes. All are welcome. No fees. Call A Safe Place at (847) 249-4450 or (847) 249-6557 (TTY) or go to asafeplaceforhelp.org for more information.

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• **Lake Co. Community Health Partnership Immunization Clinic.** 4-6 p.m., fourth Tuesdays. Condell Acute Care Center, 2 E. Rollins Rd. For more information, call (847) 377-8470.

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BURNING ISSUES

► Eight different Nextel Cup drivers have won the eight Busch Series races so far. Only three of the winners are competing for the Busch championship.

► Jeff Burton's most recent victory was at Phoenix on Oct. 28, 2001. Only three drivers — Burton, Dale Earnhardt Jr. and the late Davey Allison — have ever won at Phoenix more than once, and all three won consecutive races.

► Jack Roush's team shakeup cost Carl Edwards the services of crew chief Bob Osborne, who will try to shore up Jamie McMurray's performance. Edwards' new crew chief is Wally Brown, formerly head engineer.

► Ford drivers have captured 12 of the previous 19 Cup races at Phoenix, but Chevy drivers have won three of the last four.

► The Brothers Busch (Bee Bees?) combined to win both races last year at Phoenix, although spring winner Kurt didn't even compete in the fall race, which brother Kyle won. Kurt Busch was suspended by then-owner Jack Roush for the final two races of the 2005 season.

► No pole winner has ever won a Cup race at Phoenix International Raceway.

► Phoenix will mark Michael Waltrip's 650th career start. It will also be Kyle Busch's 50th race.

► In all three of Kasey Kahne's victories he started on the pole. The pole winner has won only nine total races during the three-year period of Kahne's career.

► Tony Stewart won his first race at the track in Phoenix but hasn't repeated in the seven races since.

► Dale Jarrett has finished ninth four different times at Phoenix, including three times in the past six races. He won a race at the track on Nov. 2, 1997.

► If you have a question or a comment, write: NASCAR This Week, c/o The Gaston Gazette, P.O. Box 1893, Gastonia, NC 28053

CARL EDWARDS

NEXTEL CUP SERIES

No. 99 OFFICE DEPOT FORD

Learning Curve

After breakout year, Edwards taking his lumps this season

By Monte Dutton
NASCAR This Week

Carl Edwards, the biggest story of 2005 in NASCAR, is off to a slow start, but it's hard to quench the optimism of the 26-year-old driver from Columbia, Mo.

In his first full Nextel Cup season, Edwards won four times and finished third in the Nextel Cup points standings. He actually finished with the same number of points as the official runner-up, teammate Greg Biffle.

Edwards also finished third in the Busch Series points standings and is again competing full time in both series this year.

The owner of Edwards' No. 99 Ford, Jack Roush, recently made Wally Brown, whom Edwards has known for about a decade, crew chief. Bob Osborne left Edwards' team to take a similar role with another Roush Racing driver, Jamie McMurray.

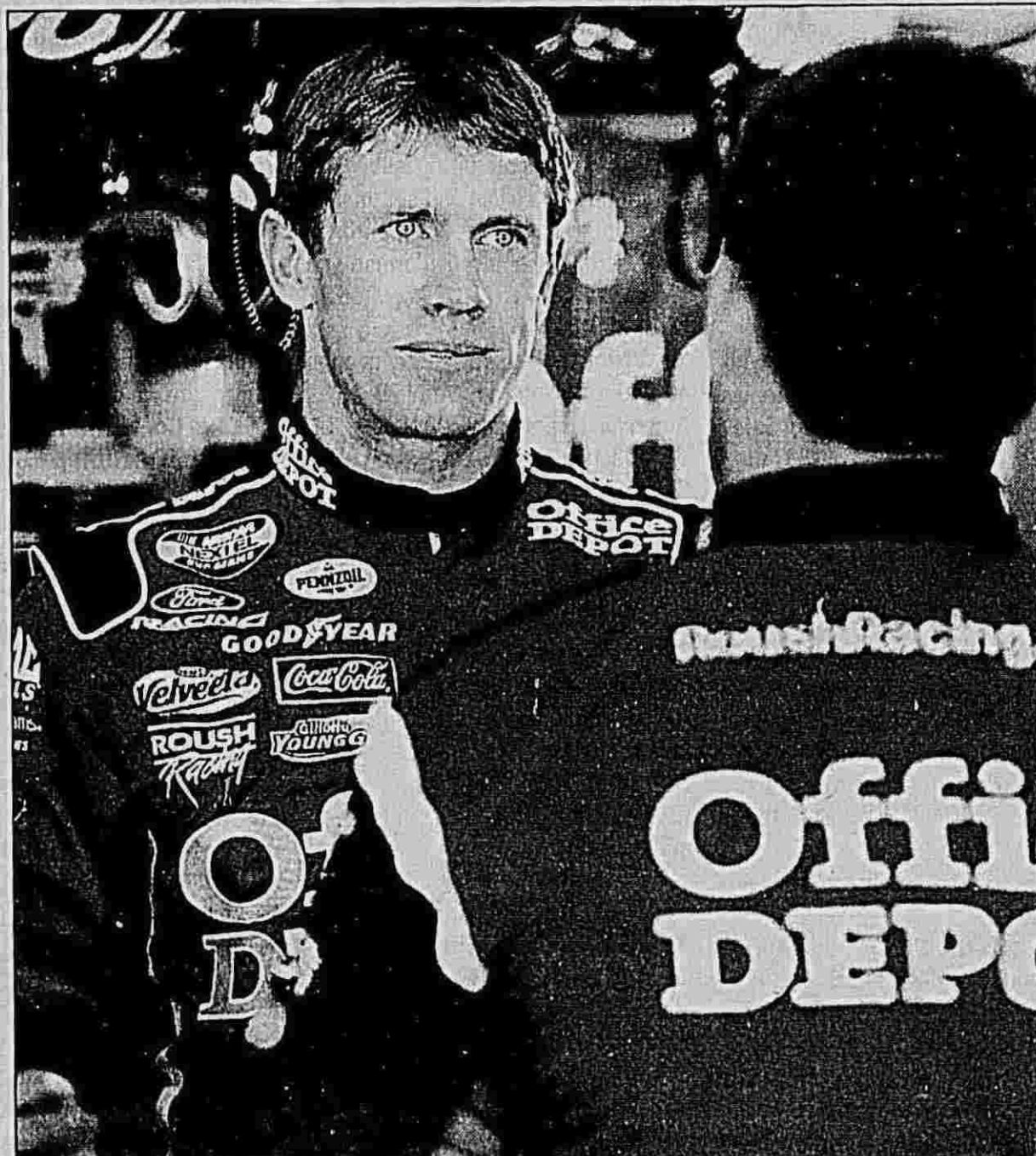
"I'm sure, when they said that Carl Edwards was going to drive the '99' car, everybody thought Jack was out of his mind," quipped Edwards. "Wally, I think, is far more qualified to be a crew chief on our car than I was a driver."

Edwards saw his slow start as an example of the law of averages catching up.

"We had great luck last year," he said. "Even on our bad days, we got lucky. This year ... I think we're a lot better. I feel like I'm better, and I feel like our team is better. I don't think we need to be trying as hard. ... I think that, if we can calm down a little bit, we'll be awesome."

"This is all still pretty new, and you have to go through all of it to learn everything. I'm learning a lot, even through this bad stuff."

Despite his phenomenal success a year ago, Edwards remains humble and thoroughly grounded.



John Clark/NASCAR This Week

Despite currently sitting in 22nd in the points race and with just two top-10 finishes all year, Carl Edwards is upbeat about his chances of making the Chase for the Nextel Championship.

"There's this sense like we deserve to go out and win some races," he said, "but that's not how racing works. You don't get anything because you deserve it; you get it because you work for it. We just need to keep doing what we do and go race. Our crew is awesome. We're fast and

that's just one part of it, and you have to make the most of that.

"I'm learning and we're all learning, and we'll be good."

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Steve Sarley

Well, let's lower the bar right here at the start. I'm extremely pleased to be doing this column. I hope that I'll be able to offer tips and advice to improve your success ratio on the water and in the field. I don't have all of the secrets. I don't know the magic bait. I don't have access to the honey hole that always produces fish.

I'm just like you. I consider myself fortunate whenever I'm able to steal time from commitments to work and family to spend time hunting and fishing. Some days I have great success and others, well, you know how that goes. To me, it is all about the experience - the number of birds or the size of the fish is a bonus.

I have been an outdoor writer/broadcaster for the last 10 years. I began by writing for "MidWest Outdoors Magazine." I've had the opportunity to meet and interview former Bulls general manager Jerry Krause, Jimmy Piersall, radio's Kevin Matthews, former Minnesota Twins first baseman Doug Mientkiewicz, the Blackhawks' Mike Peluso,

rock 'n' roller Ted Nugent and C&W superstar Brad Paisley, among others.

In October of 2002 I landed the gig as the host of CLTV's "Great Outdoors." We had a great three-year run on CLTV until this past Thanksgiving. In December of 2003, I launched "The Outdoors Experience," a radio show that airs from 8 to 9 a.m. on Saturday on NewsTalk 560-AM WIND.

I get a big charge when a viewer, reader or listener contacts me to tell me that they've enjoyed something I've done. I cried one time when a boy who was mentally disabled ran up to me at the Rosemont Sport Show and threw his arms around me and hugged me because I had aired a photo of him on CLTV that his father had sent to me. The boy thought that this was the greatest thing that had ever happened to him.

I've gotten to go on some great outdoor expeditions in the past few years and have had the privilege of being with some great people, but this column belongs as much to you as it does to me.

Let's communicate. Tell me what you like. Tell me what you don't like. Go ahead! I can take it. I'll try to do the best job that I can on this page and with your help, I'm sure that I can pull it off.

I look forward to seeing you again next week!

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No pain, no gain

Lake County girls distance runners speak about what brought them to the sport

By DANIEL J. PATRICK
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Distance running is often looked upon as a chore, the necessary evil for both sports and general health, the proverbial boot camp for future athletic glory. However, there is a group of athletes who have designated the very activity that so many others hate as their chosen field of competition.

Pain isn't a problem for runners, it's almost the reward. How do they work with the agony and even master it? Girls track stars from all over the area have weighed in on just that question.

Cerebral assassins

Speed is one of the most basic criteria for athleticism. Along with strength and stamina, speed is a purely physical building block that separates the athletes from the rest of us. But according to many, running as a purely physical endeavor cannot be any further from the truth.

"It's all a mental game," Mundelein's Elyse Schultz said. "You just have to block out the pain and that's a big part of the game. I've hurt my ankle and now I have to block that out as well. It's all in your head and you just have to do it."

Part of the mental game in track is the strategy of it all. If a distance runner is too aggressive early in the race, they risk running out of gas, if the runner is too conservative, they may have forfeited the competition long before the final lap.

"Running is the most mental sport there is," Carmel's Colleen Donovan said. "You have to use both your body and your mind

“Every distance runner has to find that place where they can push themselves and ignore the pain. That's the most difficult part about it. It's not just the running, it's about having each individual push themselves to the limit until the race is done.”

Charlie Shahbazian
Antioch girls track coach

“to be good because you have to plan and pick your spots in a race.”

Shorter's not sweeter

In the grand scheme of track, there's an awfully big difference between a 3,200-meter race and a 400-meter race. Running two miles and a quarter mile on a treadmill is the difference between exhaustion and warming up for civilians, but for runners, it's a completely different game.

Round Lake's middle distance runner Sandra Smith has tried her hand at longer distances before, but she said the pain that's involved in 400- and 800-meter races can equate or even exceed races four times as long.

"It's just an all-out sprint in the 400-meter races and you have to run the whole time," Smith said. "I think the 2 mile might be a little easier because you can plan a race, but with middle distance races you have to keep it going the entire time, but it's still long enough that you definitely feel it after the race."

Warren's Julia Hiatt, another middle distance runner, agreed with Smith. The combination of distance and sprinting makes for quite the wicked recipe for top-level runners.

"It's a totally different experi-

ence because you have to find the right pace all the time," Hiatt said. "You can't quite sprint, but you definitely can't take it slow, so you've always got to think about your strategy."

Higher plane of reality

Every athlete has to take themselves out of the larger reality and place their focus on the game, but runners seem to take this principle to an extreme.

"It's almost like you go into a trance when you're running a race," Grayslake 3,200 and 1,600 runner Morgan Jacquette said. "It's definitely a lot harder to run without someone else there to push you because you can get kind of lost in the race when and not push yourself hard enough when you're all alone...It's all a head game."

Coaches often push their runners to find the mental focus that Jacquette speaks of. Antioch girls track coach Charlie Shahbazian said the biggest piece of a track coach's puzzle has nothing to do with finding an overall strategy for the team at large, but having each runner find their own.

"Every distance runner has to find that place where they can push themselves and ignore the pain," Shahbazian said. "That's the most difficult part about it. It's not just the running, it's about having each individual push themselves to the limit until the race is done."

Finding the finish line

From the time the gun goes off until the last runner crosses the tape, track is a constant battle between mind and body. Ultimately, the reward isn't any ribbon or trophy, it's just running the race.

"It's definitely a lot harder than sprint races, but you feel so much achievement when you're done," Jacquette said. "I love it because you're part of a team, but at the same time, it's individual. That's what it's like in a race, you're running against the other girls, but at the same time, you're going against all the pain and when it's over, it's such a great feeling."



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WTC celebration scheduled for May

It may not be snowmobile season anymore, but the Winter Thunder Challenge organizers have planned a picnic to celebrate the event with the WTC Spring Fling Family Picnic.

The event is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at the Volo Auto Museum. WTC will have a pig roast, beer, pop, music and games for all to enjoy. If anyone would like to bring a dish to pass, it would greatly appreciated. Nielsen Enterprise also has donated several door prizes for picnic attendees.

If anyone is interested in do-

nating additional prizes, e-mail event organizers at winterthunderderracing@yahoo.com. For more information about the WTC Spring Fling Family Picnic, visit their Web site at http://www.racine-extreme.com/winter_thunder_challenge_2006.htm.

Lindenhurst parks holding soccer camps

The Lindenhurst Park District will be beginning registration for its youth soccer instruction camps beginning in May and running until late July. The camps will instruct youths age 3-14 on a variety of soccer skills.

The Pee Wee Soccer Stars

class will teach the fundamentals of soccer in a non-competitive setting for children age 3-4. Skills include dribbling, passing, shooting and kicking. The Pee Wee camp will take place at Engle Memorial park and will cost \$60-\$65 and take place every Sunday from April 16 to May 21 from noon to 12:45 p.m.

The College of Lake County soccer camp is meant for players age 5-9 and 10-14 and will take place Monday through Friday from July 17 through July 21 from 9 to 11 a.m. Cost will be from \$50 to \$55.

For more information, visit the Lindenhurst Park District Web site at www.lindenhurst-parks.org.

HoopStars basketball camp coming to Gurnee

The NISA HoopStars have teamed up with coach Larry Farmer to put on a four-day basketball camp.

This camp will focus on the basic fundamentals of basketball and is designed for boys and girls in grades 3-8.

Camp will be held at Woodland Middle School in Gurnee and starts Tuesday, April 25, and ends Friday, April 28.

Camp times are from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. and participants should bring their own basketball.

The camp will stress ball-handling, shooting, defense, re-

bouncing, conditioning and team play. Games will be played at the conclusion of instructional sessions.

Each participant will receive a camp T-shirt and personal evaluation at the conclusion of the training sessions.

Larry Farmer is a former UCLA basketball player and head basketball coach of the University of Loyola in Chicago. Coach Farmer has over 30 years of coaching experience.

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● On The Sidelines

Going the distance

Looking through the pages, it's probably pretty easy to detect the theme of this week's edition: distance runners.

Surprisingly enough, it has nothing to do with the recent running of the Boston

Marathon. The reason that I've dedicated this section to them is that I've always been fascinated with what makes these people tick.

I remember when I tried my hand (and feet) in track and field in high school. While most sports came naturally to me, I just never had the motivation for running. Every practice, I was left with the thought of "Running is the part that I hate about every other sport, now why am I doing this?"

As for the young women who have made track and field their focus, all had remarkably similar answers: It was the simple sense of achievement after a race. Sure, the aches and pains after the competition were downright unbearable, but the simple fact that they were able to overcome their bodies' protests was all the gratification they needed for the pain.

"It's that accomplishment that you get at the end of the race," Round Lake middle distance runner Sandra Smith said. "I don't really think about the distance. It's like you're in a zone and everything else is just a blur. You just see your lane and that's it."

Across school lines, racial lines and every other line you can draw between Lake County varsity runners, they



Daniel J. Patrick

all answered with sentiments echoing Sandra's quip.

Pain is a given in any sport. Working through it is what separates the men from the boys and the women from the girls on any playing field. Yet the tunnel vision Sandra speaks of is fascinating to me.

Within sports at any level, the phrase "Getting in the zone" is thrown around quite a bit. But it sounds as though Sandra and her cohorts are the ones who truly experience this higher plane of consciousness.

That sort of singular focus could help every one of us achieve our goals. As I write this column, I could use a taste of a distance runner's drive. Well, either that or a horse's dose of Ritalin!

Distance running also is brutal in its exposure of the separation of the bad from the good. In the 3,200-meter race, the first-place runner can finish while the last-place runner is left out on the track for minutes of excruciating embarrassment.

But again, as I was told by so many competitors, it's not the time or even the race itself; it's the accomplishment of making it to the finish line. The time that a runner is left out on the track by him or herself, the place doesn't matter because they already are locked in a battle with their own body.

No matter how many inspirational posters try to drive it into people's heads, that sort of focus is not something that can be captured in mere words. If only we could all harness that power during every "race" we enter and use it to go the distance.

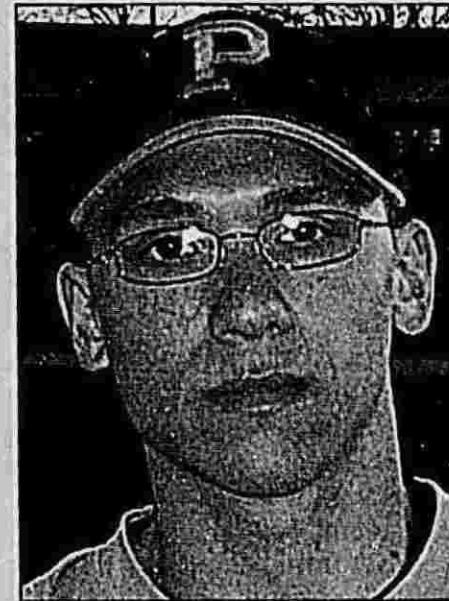
Daniel J. Patrick is sports editor of the Journal.

● Athletes of the Week



KELLY WASHINGTON

Grayslake Central junior Kelly Washington certainly knows how to defend her turf. During last week's Rams Track Invitational, Washington won the 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash and the high jump competition. Her success came just one week after setting the school high jump record at 5 feet, 4 inches.



BRAD KOLFF

Last year, it was the catcher leading the team for Round Lake. This year, it's the pitcher's turn. Panthers hurler Brad Kolff pitched a gem last Thursday with a complete-game 4-3 win over Lakes. Kolff gave up just four hits and struck out 10 Eagles in the close victory.



MARIO PEREZ

Warren's starting pitcher Mario Perez proved that his game was even bigger than his 6-foot, 3-inch, 275-pound stature as he struck out 14 batters in a 1-0 shutout over Grant. Perez threw a complete game and allowed just four hits – all singles – in the win to improve to 3-1.

Face time



Mundelein's Sean McNally wins the face-off against Grayslake's Jerry Baumgartner. Grayslake won 10-8.



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Sports

Grayslake Central names new girls volleyball coach

By DANIEL J. PATRICK
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As a new era begins for the Grayslake volleyball team, a new life begins for current coach Jeanna Beerbower.

Beerbower has decided to step down due to the expected birth of her first child in August after three years with the program. Ram sophomore coach Jason Janczak will now be handed the reigns of the program.

Beerbower leaves the post after three seasons, amassing a 24-73 overall record and improving the team from a 5-28 mark in 2003 to 12-20 last season. Ram athletic director David Perkins said he is saddened by Beerbower's departure, but is sure the program has been left in capable hands.

"We are very disappointed in the loss of great teacher, great coach and just a person of high integrity, but we're excited for her in

the expected birth," Perkins said. "We're thrilled that we have someone of his [Janczak's] ability to lead the team."

Janczak has a coaching resume that includes four years as the Rams' sophomore coach as well as experience garnered from coaching the Grayslake Net Force club team.

"We hired what we thought was a best candidate and it was a bonus that he came from within the program," Perkins said. "There were some outside applicants, but we didn't really look much further than him. When he expressed interest in the position, we knew that we had a top-level candidate and we went with him."

Beerbower is also pleased with the decision to hand over the program to the sophomore coach. She even attributed much of Grayslake's recent improvement to Janczak.

"He's a great coach and I'm not worried at all about [the program]," Beerbower said. "I think we chose the right person and I think he's been waiting for a chance like this for quite some time."

As for her future after maternity leave, Beerbower has not slammed the door on continued involvement with the team.

"To be honest, I haven't really thought about coming back," Beerbower said. "It's hard to say, because this is our first child. I don't think that I'll just be gone completely, I do think I'll help out."

As for Janczak, he said his goal is to simply continue what Beerbower has begun.

"My ultimate goal is to get Grayslake to winning a regional," Janczak said. "Jeanna has started off the program, turned it around and I want to build on her success."

● Campus Corner

Spartans' Dwan healthy, finding his groove

Michigan State junior John Dwan is no stranger to injury.

The south paw had knee surgery when he played baseball for Libertyville High School. He also missed his 2003 freshman season at Michigan State because of an elbow injury. And Dwan's elbow continued to give him problems throughout his sophomore season as well.

Now that Dwan is healthy, he is letting opposing batters know about it. Dwan threw a complete-game, one-hitter against Purdue recently, earning him Big Ten Pitcher of the Week honors on April 11.

"It felt great," Dwan said of his 4-0 victory over the Boilermakers on April 8. "This is basically the first year since I've been here where I've been healthy for a season. I had all the pitches working, and the defense was great behind me." Dwan threw the full seven innings, striking out six and walking a batter.

Dwan's elbow problems were a mystery to many doctors during his early going with the Spartans. It took the knowledge of Dr. James Andrews, founder of the American Sports Medicine Institute and a renowned doctor among Major League Baseball players, to pinpoint the situation.

Andrews diagnosed that Dwan tore a ligament in his elbow the day after Christmas, prior to his freshman season in 2003.

It took two surgeries to get to where he is today.

"It's definitely hard. There were times where I felt base-

ball's given up on me with all my injuries," Dwan said. "But that's when you focus on family. I had a bunch of friends that I played with that have been through this and kept me positive."

Through Sunday, Dwan was leading the team with 37 strikeouts in 40 innings.

"I'm throwing harder than I ever used to," Dwan said. "I think now, having gone through all of this, it makes me appreciate [my health] more. I took it for granted."

Dwan also added a changeup to his pitching arsenal prior to this season.

"When I got here, I was throwing a fastball and curve ball. I've kind of been working on my changeup, and now that's my go-to pitch."

• At Chicago, Loyola sophomore and Zion-Benton graduate Jimel Denham placed in three events at the Chicagoland Track and Field Championships from April 6-8.

Denham, a Round Lake Beach native and transfer from Lewis University, took fourth in the 200-meter run in 21.98 seconds. He captured fifth in the 100 (11.01) and took fifth in the 400 relay in 42.66.

Loyola's men took ninth out of 16 teams.

Also at the event, DePaul's Richard Fugiel was fourth in the 400 with a time of 49.88 as the Blue Demons took fifth as a team.

• At Cedar Falls, Iowa, the most dominating event among the track and field programs at the Mark Messersmith Invitational on April 8 was the hammer throw.

Iowa's men had five of the top seven placers.

Taking fourth place was Antioch High School graduate and Hawkeyes sophomore Ryan Jordan. He had a throw of 176 feet, 3 inches in the finals.



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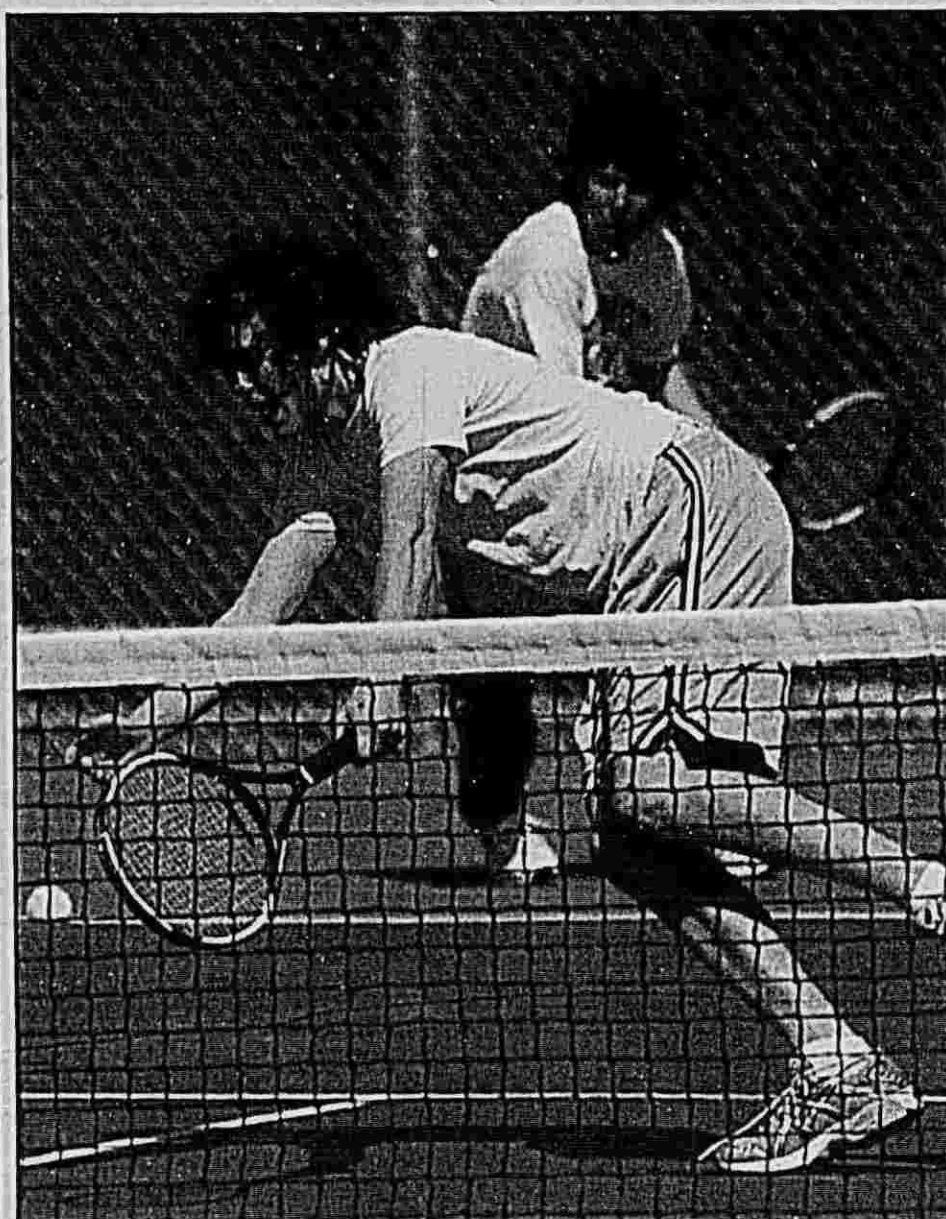
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KRIS GEHRKE

The name Kris Gehrke has served as a shining jewel within Wauconda sports this year. After tearing up the basketball courts, he was also spectacular during the Cary-Grove Invitational, winning the 110-meter high hurdles (15.3 seconds), 300-meter intermediate hurdles (40.50 seconds) and now has a school record with a 6-foot, 5-inch high jump.

Reach for it



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Kevin Heffernan of Antioch High School reaches to return a serve as J.D. Turzy backs him up during a tennis match at Antioch High School.

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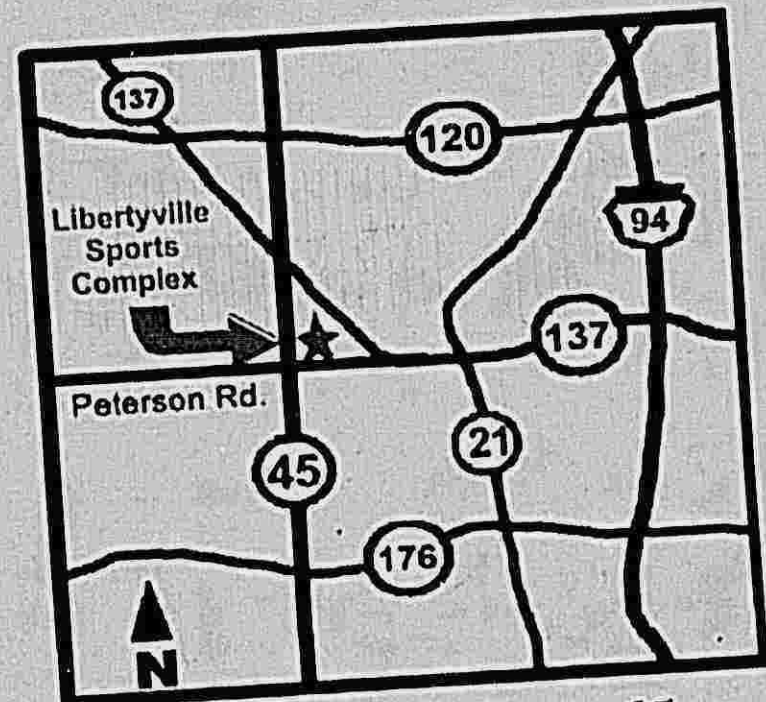
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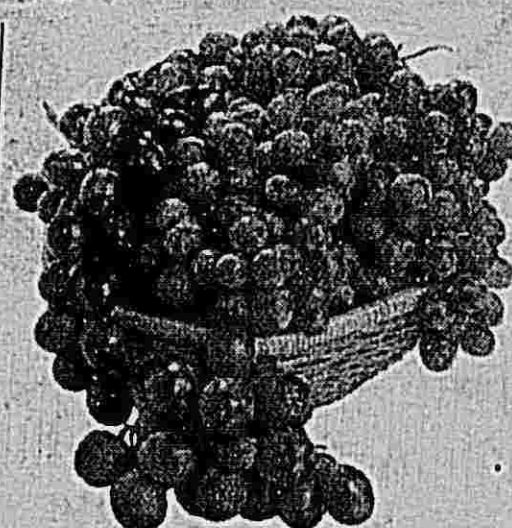
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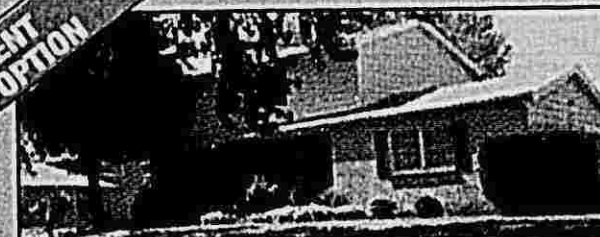
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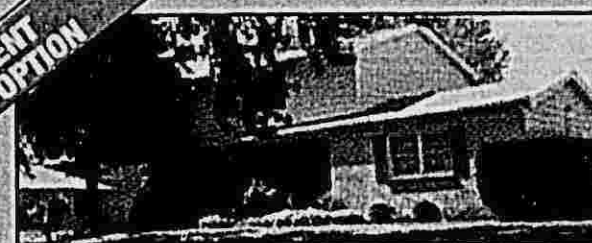
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Natural light and improved ventilation enhances kitchen

Lighter and brighter. That's a winning combination in most rooms but in the kitchen it's a slam dunk.

Experts say that lightening cabinets, countertops, walls and floors will get you halfway there. Add skylights to fill the room with healthful, natural

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Venting skylights in the

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Skylights, along with accessories including blinds and shades, can be controlled manually or by remote control with the touch of a button.

Electrochromic glass is also now available in skylights.

This new technology allows homeowners to lighten and darken the glass with the touch of a remote and the view of the sky is never lost. The trend toward additional daylighting in kitchens is driven

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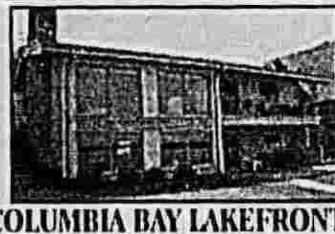
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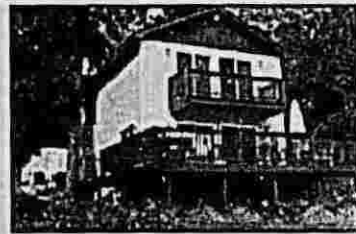
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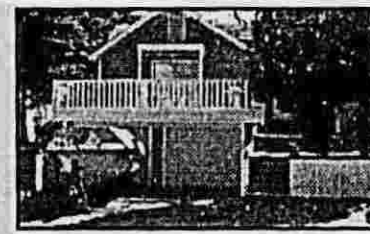
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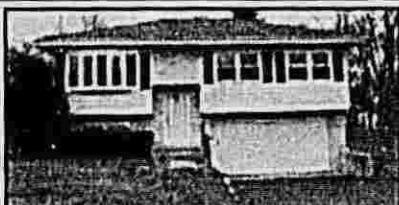
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Considering a home remodel? Make sure it will pay off

If your family has to wait in line to take a shower, or if you're storing pots and pans in the laundry room due to lack of cabinet space, it could be time to consider a home remodeling project. Not only will an updated space make your house more pleasant for you and your family, it can pay off in higher resale value.

To find out if your project will add to the resale value of your home, take stock of other houses in your neighborhood. Have many of them been upgraded in the past few years? If your house is the only one around without a finished basement, that would be a good project to consider. If everyone on the block has added a bathroom or upgraded their master suite, these projects would pay off as well. On the other hand, you may not want to price your house out of the market by adding a third or fourth garage if that's not the standard in your area.

Remodeling magazine conducts an annual survey that compares construction costs with resale values. Over the past four years, bathroom and kitchen remodeling have consistently shown good returns on investment. In 2005, a kitchen remodel that included updating cabinet fronts; replacing the oven, stove, sink and faucet; adding new paint or wall coverings; and replacing existing flooring recouped 98.5 percent of the job cost at resale time as a national average. In the east and west, the numbers

were even higher, at 100.9 percent and 112.3 percent respectively.

Bathroom remodels pay off even better. Updating a bathroom that is 25 years old with new fixtures, tub, and toilet; adding new tile, a solid surface vanity counter, ceramic floor and wallpaper recoups on average 102.2 percent.

Of course, you won't want to tackle a home improvement project solely for the resale value, especially if you intend to stay put for a while. A remodel can contribute to a better quality of living for your family while your house increases in value. Choose an improvement that makes sense for you and your family and one that you can afford.

To decide if a home remodeling project is right for you, make a list of features that you would like in the room to be renovated, taking into account how you and your family use the space. Consider traffic patterns, lighting and special features you'd like, such as a wet bar or walk-in shower.

Next, figure out how much you can spend on the project. You might want to consider taking out a home equity loan to finance the remodel. Because the loan is secured by your home, it will likely have a lower annual percentage rate, and you may get some tax breaks, too. The amount you can borrow is limited by the equity you have in your home. Other factors that may influence the amount you can borrow in-

Applying for a Home Equity Loan

Here's a list of documents your lender may ask for when you apply for a home equity loan:

- Recent bank statements, both savings and checking accounts
- A recent mortgage statement that shows the equity you've accumulated in your home
- Current pay stubs to validate your income
- Your most recent tax return

Your lender also will look at your credit report, so as you're preparing to apply for a home equity loan, consider getting a copy of your personal credit report so you won't be surprised by any information your lender will see

clude your credit history, income and current financial responsibilities. Also, be sure to have a plan for how you will repay the loan. You don't want to put your home at risk or add too much stress to the family budget.

To make sure your financing is ready when you are, visit a credit reporting company online to quickly and easily access your credit report. If you notice anything questionable, such as accounts you don't recognize, or payment disputes, deal with those issues before



Remodeling a home can pay off big, but there are many factors to consider.

applying for a home equity loan. It can also be helpful to have your credit score which will tell you specifically the factors in your credit history that could be considered risky by lenders.

Finally, get bids from several contractors to see how your budget and the cost of your dream remodel compare. Ask friends, neighbors and co-

workers for recommendations, or ask your lender if they're familiar with the contractors you're considering.

As with any big project, you'll need to be flexible and not let the inevitable glitches get in the way of the big picture - when you're done, you'll have a beautiful new space for you and your family to enjoy for years to come.

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Beach
\$214,800

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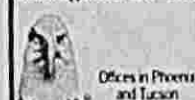
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NEW HOUSE

Hwy. 50 W of Salem, WI. 53168. See it:
www.forsalebyowner.com
 Listing #20528353.
 Ranch 1650sq.ft. + 700sq.ft. fin. gar. 3-bd., 2-ba., handicap accessible, landscaped, ready to move in. 45'x34' concrete drive, 34'x12' patio, 125'x75' lot w/lg. oak tree. \$180,000.
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 (847)417-2300, cell.

LAKE VILLA - 5bd/2.5ba home on over a 1/2 acre lot on a dead-end street. Over 2500 sq/ft., huge 1250 sq/ft. wrap around deck, current owner has done extensive landscaping & updating in home, storage shed in yard, ceramic & hardwood floors, this home will not last! \$249,000.
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500 Homes For Sale

FF-60917
 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION
MIDFIRST BANK PLAINTIFF,
-vs-
EDGAR SANCHEZ; BENITO MOLINA DEFENDANTS.
04 C 4610
NOTICE OF SPECIAL COMMISSIONER'S SALE
 Public Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment entered in the above entitled Court, in said cause, on May 18, 2005.

Geral Nordren, Special Commissioner for the Northern District of Illinois Eastern Division, will on May 10, 2006 at 1:00PM, at Outside of Room 101, Lake County Courthouse, 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, IL sell to the highest bidder for cash (10% at the time of sale and balance within 24 hours subject to interest), the following described premises situated in Lake County, Illinois.

Said sale shall be subject to general taxes and to any special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff. Upon the sale being made and the purchaser tendering said bid in cash or certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon Court confirmation of said sale.

Said property is described as follows, to-wit:
COMMONLY KNOWN AS 217 SOUTH CHANNEL DRIVE, ROUND LAKE, ILLINOIS 60073.
06-20-216-009

Improvements:
 Residential
 Structure: UNKNOWN
 Units: UNKNOWN
 Bedrooms: UNKNOWN
 Garage: UNKNOWN
 Bathrooms: UNKNOWN
 Other: UNKNOWN
 The property will NOT be open for inspection. The judgment amount was \$131,403.56. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file to verify this information. For Bid Amount contact:
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 Northbrook, Illinois
 (847) 498-9990

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FOR SALE BY OWNER
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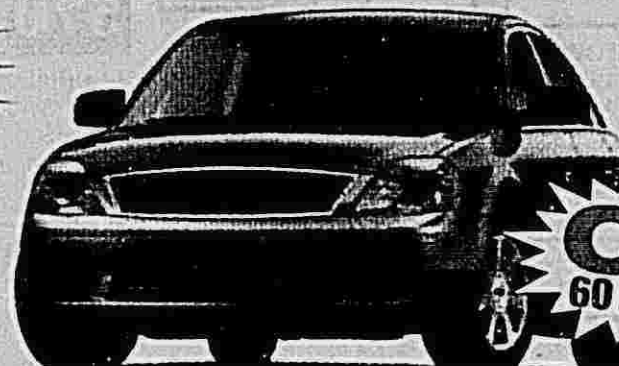
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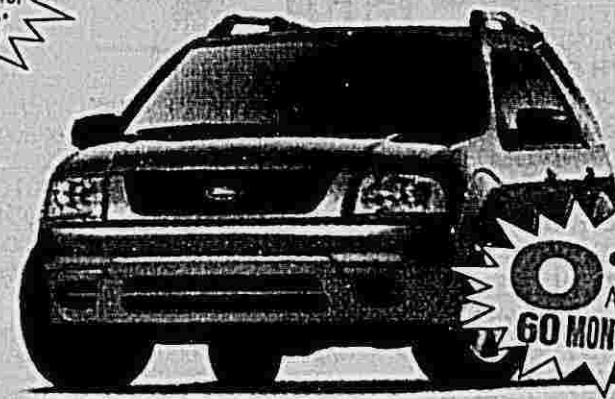
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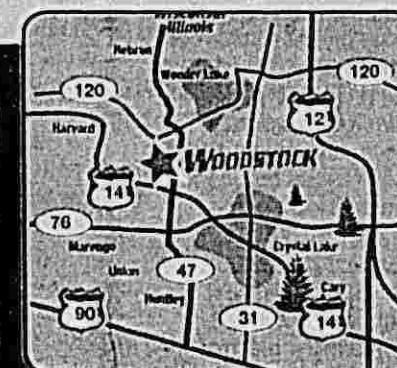
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98 CHEVY BLAZER LS - #527B	\$4888*
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00 MAZDA MPZ LX - #P697A	\$5988*

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00 FORD RANGER - 4X4, #5327B	\$10988*
01 LINCOLN LS - V8, #P739	\$11988*
01 FORD F-150 P/U - #6144A	\$12988*
05 SUZUKI FORENZA LX - #J101	\$13488*
05 SCION XB - #6133A	\$15488*
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MAZDA 1995 626 LX
V6, 119K, \$2,500/best. Eves. (847)497-9912.

MAZDA 3 '05, 5-speed, 11hr., mnrl. #4127N. \$17,950. (866)675-4444.

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JEEP '05 GRAND CHEROKEE LAREDO 4X4, \$20,995. (847)623-3000.

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PUBLIC NOTICE - NOTICE OF FILING

NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY d/b/a Nicor Gas Company hereby gives notice to the public that it has filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission on April 11, 2006, testimony and Exhibits for Docket No. 05-0747 setting forth a reconciliation of the Company's Gas Supply Cost revenues with actual gas costs for 2005.

Further information with respect thereto may be obtained either directly from this Company or by addressing the Chief Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission at Springfield, Illinois 62701.

A copy of this filing may be inspected by an interested party at any business office of this Company.

Northern Illinois Gas Company d/b/a Nicor Gas Company
G. O'Connor, Vice President

Questions About Placing A Legal Advertisement In Lakeland Journal? Please Call (847) 223-8161

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME WITHDRAWAL OF OWNERS OR CANCELLATION

NAME OF BUSINESS: J.C. Company
ORIGINAL DATE FILED 1/10/06

STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the person(s) listed below has/have ceased doing business under the assumed name or has/have no further connection or financial interest in said business. Withdrawal shall be effective 3/31/06

Maria Isabel Arteaga
34762 N. Long Ave
Ingleside, IL 60041
(847)740-5676
/s/ Maria I. Arteaga
(847) 740-5676

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) withdrawing from the business this 31st day of March, 2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Claudia C. Rodriguez
Notary Public
Received: March 31, 2006
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0407A-7750-FL
April 7, 14, 21, 2006

LEGAL NOTICE

On April 11, 2006 the Corporate Authorities of the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District, Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois passed "ORDINANCE 06-4, "AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN LANDS TO THE NORTHERN MORAIN WASTEWATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT COMMONLY KNOWN AS CRYSTAL VALLEY RV, 4450 N. DARRELL RD., ISLAND LAKE, IL" and said Ordinance having been published in pamphlet form by the Corporate Authorities of the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District are available at the office of the District Clerk, 420 Timber Trail, Island Lake, Illinois, 60042.

William C. Kreiling
Clerk
Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District
0421C-7763-WL
April 21, 2006

LEGAL NOTICE

On April 11, 2006 the Corporate Authorities of the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District, Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois passed "ORDINANCE 06-5, "AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN LANDS TO THE NORTHERN MORAIN WASTEWATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT COMMONLY KNOWN AS, RODEWALD PROPERTY" and said Ordinance having been published in pamphlet form by the Corporate Authorities of the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District are available at the office of the District Clerk, 420 Timber Trail, Island Lake, Illinois, 60042.

William C. Kreiling
Clerk
Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District
0421C-7764-WL
April 21, 2006

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
VERNON TOWNSHIP
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Notice is hereby given that Vernon Township, Lake County, Illinois, hereby solicits competitive sealed bids for the construction of utility improvements at the Prairie View Train Station, Buffalo Grove, IL. 60089. Specifications may be obtained or inspected at Vernon Township, 3050 N. Main St., Buffalo Grove, IL. during business hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. Bid documents will include one (1) set of specifications. A single lump sum bid shall be taken for the complete work. The contractor shall be required to comply with current Illinois Department of labor rates schedule regarding payment of prevailing wages for this project.

All bids to be submitted shall be sealed and delivered to the Township office, attention William E. Peterson, Township Supervisor marked "Prairie View Train Station Utility Improvements" and received no later than 10:00 a.m. Friday May 12, 2006 at which time the bids shall be opened and publicly read.

The Township reserves the right to reject any proposal for failure to comply with all the requirements of this notice or any of the bid specifications and bid summary document; however it may waive any minor defects or informalities at its discretion. The Township further reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to award a contract which in its judgement is in the best interest of the Township.

Barbara Barnabee
Town Clerk

0421C-7762-LB
April 21, 2006

**PUBLIC NOTICE
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
ADAMS COUNTY**

Frank E. Krueger
P.O. Box 591
931A East Trout Valley Road
Friendship, Wisconsin 53934
Plaintiff,

v.

Patrick Lannon and
Linda V. Lannon,
1513 North Hickory Avenue
Round Lake Beach, Illinois 60073
Defendants

"AUTHENTICATED"
CASE NO. 06CV074
30405

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

To each person named above as Defendant

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiffs named above have filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature of the legal action.

Within 45 days of receiving this Summons, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is 402 Main Street, PO Box 220, Friendship, WI, 53934, and to Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 255, 313 Main, Friendship, WI. 53934. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper answer within 45 days, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 21st. day of March, 2006

THE POLLEX LAW OFFICE of
LaRowe, Gerlach & Roy, LLP
Attorneys for Plaintiff
/s/ Eric J. Pollex
Eric J. Pollex
State Bar No. 1031210
313 Main Street
PO Box 255
Friendship, Wisconsin 53934
608-339-3341

0421C-7765-RL
April 21, 2006
May 5, 2006

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Pier Pitchers
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Pier installation & new pier sales
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
40232 N. Deep Lake Rd., An-
tioch, IL. 60002, (847)373-
4308.

NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTING BUSINESS
Leonard Queen, 434 #6 Fil-
weber Ct., Antioch, IL.
60002, (847)373-4308.
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the un-
dersigned intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) in-
dicated and that the true and
legal full name(s) of the per-
son(s) owning, conducting or
transacting the business
is/are correct as shown.
/s/ Leonard Queen
April 6, 2006

The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before
me by the person(s) intend-
ing to conduct the business
this 6th. day of April 2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Melissa Ann Boyer
Notary Public
Received: April 6, 2006
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0414B-7754-AN
April 14, 21, 28, 2006

PUBLIC NOTICE

Jose Delgado owner of 2005,
Chrysler PT Cruiser VIN
#3C4FY48B15T585777; Me-
chanic's Lien for \$5,000.00.
You have until May 14, 2006
to pay Waukegan-Gurnee
Auto Body, Inc., 3923 Grove
Ave., Gurnee, IL. and remove
the vehicle or it will be sold.
Business hours are Monday
thru Friday 8am to 6pm.

0414B-7757-GP
April 14, 21, 28, 2006

FF-60917
IN THE UNITED STATES
DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF
ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVI-
SION

MIDFIRST BANK
PLAINTIFF,

-vs-
EDGAR SANCHEZ; BENITO
MOLINA
DEFENDANTS.

04 C 4610

NOTICE OF SPECIAL COM-

MISSIONER'S SALE

Public Notice is hereby given
that in pursuance of a judg-
ment entered in the above
entitled Court, in said cause,
on May 18, 2005.

Geral Nordren, Special Com-
missioner for the Northern
District of Illinois Eastern Divi-
sion, will on May 10, 2006
at 1:00PM, at Outside of
Room 101, Lake County
Courthouse, 18 N. County
Street, Waukegan, IL sell to
the highest bidder for cash
(10% at the time of sale and
balance within 24 hours sub-
ject to interest), the following

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described premises situated
in Lake County, Illinois.

Said sale shall be subject to
general taxes and to any
special assessments or spe-
cial taxes levied against said
real estate. The subject
property is offered for sale
without any representation as
to quality or quantity of title or
recourse to Plaintiff.

Upon the sale being made
and the purchaser tendering
said bid in cash or certified
funds, a receipt of Sale will
be issued and/or a Certificate
of Sale as required, which
will entitle the purchaser to a
deed upon Court confirma-
tion of said sale.

Said property is described as
follows, to-wit:

LOT 32 IN BLOCK 36 IN
ROUND LAKE BEACH, A
SUBDIVISION OF PART OF
THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF
SECTION 17 AND PART OF
THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF
SECTION 20 AND THE
WEST 3 1/3 ACRES OF THE
SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE
NORTHWEST 1/4 IN SEC-
TION 21, ALL IN TOWNSHIP
45 NORTH, RANGE 10,
EAST OF THE THIRD PRIN-
CIPAL MERIDIAN, AC-
CORDING TO THE PLAT
THEREOF RECORDED AU-
GUST 23, 1927, AS DOCU-
MENT 304291, IN BOOK "S"
OF PLATS, PAGE 1, IN
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS
217 SOUTH CHANNEL
DRIVE, ROUND LAKE, ILLI-
NOIS 60073.

06-20-216-009

Improvements:

Residential

Structure: UNKNOWN

Units: UNKNOWN

Bedrooms: UNKNOWN

Garage: UNKNOWN

Bathrooms: UNKNOWN

Other: UNKNOWN

The property will NOT be
open for inspection.

The judgment amount was
\$131,403.56. Prospective
purchasers are admonished
to check the court file to veri-
fy this information.

For Bid Amount contact:

Sale Clerk

FISHER and SHAPIRO, LLC
4201 Lake Cook Road
Northbrook, Illinois
(847) 498-9990

0695-NOTPUB
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR THE NINETEENTH JU-
DICIAL CIRCUIT COURT -
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

CITIFINANCIAL MORT-
GAGE COMPANY, INC.,
Plaintiff
vs

RODRIGO MARQUEZ, AR-
GENT MORTGAGE COM-
PANY, LLC., LAKEWOOD
GROVE HOMEOWNERS
ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN
OWNERS AND NONRE-
CORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants

No. 06 CH 161

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The requisite affidavit for
publication having been filed,
notice is hereby given you,
RODRIGO MARQUEZ, UN-
KNOWN OWNERS and
NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,

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Defendant(s) in the above
entitled suit, that the said suit
has been commenced in the
Nineteenth Judicial Circuit
Court of Lake County, Illinois,
by the Plaintiff against you
and other defendants, pray-
ing for the foreclosure of a
certain Mortgage conveying
the premises described as
follows, to wit:

LOT 331 IN LAKEWOOD
GROVE PHASE 1, UNIT 2,
BEING A SUBDIVISION OF
PARTS OF SECTION 5 AND
SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 44
NORTH, RANGE 10, EAST
OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL
MERIDIAN, ACCORDING
TO THE PLAT THEREOF
RECORDED DECEMBER
31, 2002 AS DOCUMENT
NUMBER 5085112, IN
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Commonly known as 582
HAMLIN LN ROUND LAKE,
IL 60073

Permanent Index No. 10-05-
305-015

and which said Mortgage
was made by RODRIGO
MARQUEZ, Mortgagor, to
ARGENT MORTGAGE
COMPANY L.L.C., AS-
SIGNED TO CITIFINANCIAL
MORTGAGE COMPANY,
INC., as Mortgagee, and re-
corded in the Office of the
Recorder of Deeds of Lake
County, Illinois as document
No. 5691038;

And for such other relief
prayed; that summons was
duly issued out of the said
Nineteenth Judicial Circuit
Court against you as provid-
ed by law, and that the said
suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UN-
LESS YOU, the said above
defendant(s), file your an-
swer to the complaint in the
said suit or otherwise make
your appearance therein, in
the Office of the Clerk of the
Nineteenth Judicial Circuit
Court, at the Courthouse, in
the City of Waukegan, Lake
County, Illinois, on or before
May 22, 2006, default may
be entered against you at
any time after that day and a
decree entered in accord-
ance with the prayer of said
complaint.

SALLY DEADRICK COF-
FELT Clerk of the 19th Judi-
cial Circuit Court Lake Coun-
ty, Illinois.
HAUSELMAN, RAPPIN &
OLSWANG, LTD.
Attorney for Plaintiff
39 South La Salle Street
Chicago, Illinois 60603
312 372 2020

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR THE NINETEENTH JU-
DICIAL CIRCUIT COURT -
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,
Plaintiff
vs

JOSEPH J. HOFFMAN A/K/A
JOSEPH J. HOFFMANN,
SUSAN HOFFMANN, BOE-
ING EMPLOYEES CREDIT
UNION, UNKNOWN OWN-
ERS AND NONRECORD
CLAIMANTS,
Defendants

No. 06 CH 595

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The requisite affidavit for

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publication having been filed,
notice is hereby given you,
JOSEPH J. HOFFMAN A/K/A
JOSEPH J. HOFFMANN,
UNKNOWN OWNERS and
NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendant(s) in the above
entitled suit, that the said suit
has been commenced in the
Nineteenth Judicial Circuit
Court of Lake County, Illinois,
by the Plaintiff against you
and other defendants, pray-
ing for the foreclosure of a
certain Mortgage conveying
the premises described as
follows, to wit:

LOT 79 IN DEERPATH UNIT
8, BEING A SUBDIVISION
OF PART OF THE NORTH-
WEST 1/4 OF SECTION 4
AND PART OF THE EAST
1/2 OF SECTION 5, TOWN-
SHIP 43 NORTH, RANGE
11, EAST OF THE THIRD
PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, AC-
CORDING TO THE PLAT
THEREOF RECORDED DE-
CEMBER 7, 1976 AS DOCU-
MENT 1808124, IN BOOK 58
OF PLATS, PAGES 22 AND
23 AND CORRECTED BY
CERTIFICATE OF COR-
RECTION RECORDED DE-
CEMBER 17, 1976 AS
DOCUMENT 1810420, IN
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.
Commonly known as 601
AVON COURT, VERNON
HILLS, IL 60061

Permanent Index No. 15-05-
203-024-0000

and which said Mortgage
was made by JOSEPH J.
HOFFMAN A/K/A JOSEPH J.
HOFFMANN and SUSAN
HOFFMANN, Mortgagor(s),
to MORTGAGE ELECTRON-
IC REGISTRATION SYS-
TEMS AS NOMINEE OF
IVANHOE FINANCIAL, INC.,
ASSIGNED TO CITIMORT-
GAGE, INC., as Mortgagee,
and recorded in the Office of
the Recorder of Deeds of
Lake County, Illinois as docu-
ment No. 5108705 Re-re-
corded 5137055;

And for such other relief
prayed; that summons was
duly issued out of the said
Nineteenth Judicial Circuit
Court against you as provid-
ed by law, and that the said
suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UN-
LESS YOU, the said above
defendant(s), file your an-
swer to the complaint in the
said suit or otherwise make
your appearance therein, in
the Office of the Clerk of the
Nineteenth Judicial Circuit
Court, at the Courthouse, in
the City of Waukegan, Lake
County, Illinois, on or before
May 22, 2006, default may
be entered against you at
any time after that day and a
decree entered in accord-
ance with the prayer of said
complaint.

SALLY DEADRICK COF-
FELT Clerk of the 19th Judi-
cial Circuit Court Lake Coun-
ty, Illinois.
HAUSELMAN, RAPPIN &
OLSWANG, LTD.
Attorney for Plaintiff
39 South La Salle Street
Chicago, Illinois 60603
312 372 2020

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Wadsworth Area Pageant
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Community Service Queens
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
16181 W. Scenic Ct., Wads-
worth, IL. 60083, (847) 596-
2053.

P.O. Box 308, Wadsworth,
IL. 60083.

NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTING BUSINESS
Angelique Guthrie, 16181 W.
Scenic Ct., Wadsworth, IL.
60083, (847) 596-2053.

Monika Pellitier, 38695 N.
Shagbark Lane, Wadsworth,
IL. 60083, (847) 249-3034.
Sharon Bertrand, 38875 Blue
Spruce Ct., Wadsworth, IL.
60083, (847)244-4734.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the un-
dersigned intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) in-
dicated and that the true and
legal full name(s) of the per-
son(s) owning, conducting or
transacting the business
is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Angelique Guthrie

/s/ Monika Pellitier

/s/ Sharon Bertrand

April 17, 2006

The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before
me by the person(s) intend-
ing to conduct the business
this 17th. day of April 2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Diane R. Wido

Notary Public

Received: April 18, 2006

Willard R. Helander

Lake County Clerk

0421C-7767-WD

April 21, 28, 2006

May 5, 2006

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
THE 19TH JUDICIAL CIR-
CUIT LAKE COUNTY, WAU-
KEGAN, ILLINOIS
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC.

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

CHRISTIN A. WEHDE, CUR-
RENT SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF
CHRISTIN A. WEHDE, UN-
KNOWN OWNERS, GENER-
ALLY, AND NON-RECORD
CLAIMANTS.

DEFENDANTS.

NO: 06 CH 621

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
AS TO UNKNOWN OWN-
ERS AND NON-RECORD
CLAIMANTS

The requisite affidavit for
publication having been filed,
notice is hereby given to:
CHRISTIN A. WEHDE, CUR-
RENT SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF
CHRISTIN A. WEHDE, UN-
KNOWN OWNERS, GENER-
ALLY, AND NON-RECORD
CLAIMANTS, Defendants in
the above-entitled action, that
a Complaint for Foreclosure
and Other Relief has been
commenced in the Circuit
Court of Lake County, by
said Plaintiff against you and
other defendants, praying for

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the foreclosure of certain mortgages conveying the premises legally described as follows:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:
LOT 8 IN DONALD B. MACNEAL'S DUCK LAKE ISLE, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF A PART OF THE SOUTH-WEST FRACTIONAL QUARTER OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 9, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED OCTOBER 16, 1961 AS DOCUMENT 1126300, IN BOOK 38 OF PLATS, PAGE 11, IN LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

P.I.N. 05-14-302-001
COMMON ADDRESS: 35478 N Donald Court, Ingleside, IL 60041

And which mortgages were made by Christin A. Wehde, as Mortgagor(s); and given to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.; to wit: that certain "Mortgage" dated July 13, 2005 and recorded as Document No. 0005836191, that Summons was duly issued out of said court against you as provided by law, and that the said Complaint is now pending for foreclosure of said mortgages and for other relief.

Now, therefore, unless CHRISTIN A. WEHDE, CURRENT SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF CHRISTIN A. WEHDE, UNKNOWN OWNERS, GENERALLY, AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, file your Appearance and Answer to the Complaint in said action in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Lake County, Chancery Division, on or before May 8, 2006 default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer for relief in said Complaint.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

Kluover & Platt, LLC.

65 E. Wacker Place, Suite 2300

Chicago, Illinois 60601

(312) 201-6679

Attorney No. 10384

Our File #: FBCC.4999

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 19TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LAKE COUNTY - WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS Citibank N.A. as Trustee PLAINTIFF

Vs.

Debra J. Gregory; Richard D. Gregory; Citifinancial Services, Inc.; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants DEFENDANTS

No. 06 CH 728

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:

Richard D. Gregory

Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:

THAT PART OF THE SOUTH 330 FEET OF LOT 1 OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE'S SUBDIVISION OF SECTION

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16, TOWNSHIP 46 NORTH, RANGE 12, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SOUTH 330 FEET OF LOT 1 IN SCHOOL TRUSTEE'S SUBDIVISION AFORESAID; 220 FEET WEST OF THE NORTH EAST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE THEREOF, 50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 1, 160 FEET; THENCE EAST 50 FEET TO A POINT WHICH IS 160 FEET SOUTH OF THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND 220 FEET WEST OF THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 1; THENCE NORTH 160 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, IN LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

2016-2018 Burke Drive

Winthrop Harbor, IL 60096

and which said Mortgage was made by:

Debra J. Gregory

Richard D. Gregory

the Mortgagor(s), to Chase

Manhattan Bank USA, N.A.,

as Mortgagee, and recorded

in the Office of the Recorder

of Deeds of Lake County, Illinois,

as Document No. 5969506; and for other relief;

that summons was duly issued out of said Court

against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer

or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office

of the Clerk of this Court,

Sally Coffelt

Clerk of the Circuit Court

18 N. County Street

Waukegan, IL 60085-4358

on or before May 22, 2006, A

DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT

ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT

MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE

PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

Attorneys for Plaintiff

15W030 North Frontage

Road, Suite 100

Burr Ridge, IL 60527

(630) 794-5300

DuPage # 15170

Winnebago # 531

ARDC # 00468002

Our File No. 14-05-A399

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair

Debt Collection Practices Act

you are advised that this law

firm is deemed to be a debt

collector attempting to collect

a debt and any information

obtained will be used for that

purpose.

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PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS: F & M Construction
NATURE/PURPOSE: carpentry, sheds, decks, fences
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANSACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 31697 N. Jennifer Ln, Lake-moor, IL 60051 (815)759-1911
PO Box 502, Wauconda, IL 60084 (847)721-1391
NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Eugene J. Miller II, 31697 N. Jennifer Ln, Lakemoor, IL 60051 (815)759-1911
Rod R. Feltner, 4412 N. Riverdale, McHenry, IL 60050 (815)790-3457
STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Eugene J. Miller II

/s/ Rod R. Feltner

March 27, 2006

The foregoing instrument

was acknowledged before

me by the person(s) intending

to conduct the business this 29th. day of March

2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Barbara J. Ford

Notary Public

Received: March 30, 2006

Willard R. Helander

Lake County Clerk

0407A-7748-WL

April 7, 14, 21, 2006

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF LAKE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL

CIRCUIT COUNTY OF LAKE - STATE OF ILLINOIS

HOUSEHOLD FINANCE

CORPORATION III,

Plaintiff,

v.

ROGELIO RODRIGUEZ

a/k/a Rogelio V. Rodriguez,

TINA M. RODRIGUEZ,

UNKNOWN OWNERS and

NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,

Defendants.

No. 06 CH 746

PUBLICATION NOTICE

The requisite affidavit for

publication having been filed,

notice is hereby given you,

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that part of the South West 1/4 of Section 10, Township 45 North, Range 9, East of the Third Principal Meridian, lying North of the Northerly right of way line of Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company according to the plat thereof recorded April 5, 1933, as Document 210523, in Book "L" of Plats, Page 1, in Lake County, Illinois.

Common Address: 15 High-

view Avenue, Fox Lake, Illinois 60020

Permanent Index No. 05-

10-305-008

and which said Mortgage

was made by Rogelio Rodriguez

a/k/a Rogelio V. Rodriguez,

Mortgagors, to Household Finance

Corporation III, as

Mortgagee, and recorded in

the office of the Recorder of

Deeds of Lake County, Illinois

as Document No. 4579057, and the present

owners of the property are

the above-mentioned Mortga-

gors, and for other relief; that

summons was duly issued

out of said Court against you

as provided by law, and that

the said suit is now pending.

Now, therefore, unless you,

the said above named defendants,

file your answer to the

Complaint in the said suit or

otherwise make your appearance

therein, in the office of the

Clerk of the Lake County Circuit

Court, 18 N. County Street,

Waukegan, Illinois 60085, on or

before May 22, 2006 default may

be entered in accordance with

the prayer of said Complaint.

Dated at Waukegan, Illinois

this 17th day of April, 2006.

Sally D. Coffelt Clerk

Larson & Nierling

Attorneys for Plaintiff

230 W. Monroe Street - Suite

2220

Chicago, IL 60606

(312) 422-1900

ARDC No. 6195947

This is an attempt to collect a

debt pursuant to the Fair

Debt Collection Practices

Act, and any information obtained

will be used for that purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:

V. Guzman Trucking

NATURE/PURPOSE:

Owner Operator (trucking)

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE

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transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Venancio Guzman Jr.

April 12, 2006

The foregoing instrument

was acknowledged before

me by the person(s) intending

to conduct the business this

12th. day of April 2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Yarimar Santos

Notary Public

Received: April 12, 2006

Willard R. Helander

Lake County Clerk

0421C-7761-WN

April 21, 28, 2006

May 5, 2006

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:

Trillium Design Studio

NATURE/PURPOSE:

Landscape Design

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE

BUSINESS IS TO BE

CONDUCTED OR TRANS-

ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:

1546 Levi Baxter St., Gray-

slake, IL 60030, (847)548-

6830.

NAME(S) AND POST

OFFICE OR RESIDENCE

ADDRESS(ES) OF THE

PERSON(S) OWNING,

CONDUCTING OR

TRANSACTING BUSINESS

Molra Bateman, 1546 Levi

Baxter St., Grayslake, IL.

60030, (847)548-6830.

STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the un-

dersigned intend(s) to con-

duct the above named busi-

ness from the location(s) indi-

cated and that the true and

legal full name(s) of the per-

son(s) owning, conducting or

transacting the business

is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Molra Bateman

March 30, 2006

The foregoing instrument

was acknowledged before

me by the person(s) intend-

ing to conduct the business

this 30th. day of March

2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Claudia C. Rodriguez

Notary Public

Received: March 30, 2006

Willard R. Helander

Lake County Clerk

0407A-7746-GL

April 7, 14, 21, 2006

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:

The Wedding Hive

NATURE/PURPOSE:

Floral design for weddings

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE

BUSINESS IS TO BE

CONDUCTED OR TRANS-

ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:

1381 Longchamps Ct., Gray-

slake, IL 60030, (847)543-

7895.

NAME(S) AND POST

OFFICE OR RESIDENCE

ADDRESS(ES) OF THE

PERSON(S) OWNING,

CONDUCTING OR

TRANSACTING BUSINESS

Kirsten Gentry, 1381 Long-

champs Ct., Grayslake, IL.

60030, (847)543-7895.

STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Lake County Priority
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Courier/Delivery Service
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
324 E. Clarendon Dr., Round
Lake Beach, IL. 60073, (847)
909-5569.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
David Burkhead, 324 E. Clar-
endon Dr., Round Lake
Beach, IL. 60073, (847)740-
6590.

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE**

This is to certify that the un-
dersigned intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) indi-
cated and that the true and
legal full name(s) of the per-
son(s) owning, conducting or
transacting the business
is/are correct as shown.

/s/ David Burkhead
April 6, 2006

The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before
me by the person(s) intend-
ing to conduct the business
this 6th. day of April 2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Kaleo Galant

Notary Public

Received: April 6, 2006

Willard R. Helander

Lake County Clerk

0414B-7756-FL

April 14, 21, 28, 2006

**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
PJ Properties
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Investment/Rental Property
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
615 Indian Trail Rd., Antioch,
IL. 60002, (847)395-5087.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
John Wright, 615 Indian Trail
Rd., Antioch, IL. 60002,
(847)395-5087.
Pam Roncone, 615 Indian
Trail Rd., Antioch, IL. 60002,
(847)395-5087.
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE

This is to certify that the un-
dersigned intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) indi-
cated and that the true and
legal full name(s) of the per-
son(s) owning, conducting or
transacting the business
is/are correct as shown.

/s/ John A. Wright

/s/ Pam A. Roncone

April 6, 2006

The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before
me by the person(s) intend-
ing to conduct the business
this 10th. day of April 2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Donna M. Geiger

Notary Public

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Received: April 10, 2006
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0414B-7759-AN
April 14, 21, 28, 2006

**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Netsurf Realty
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Real Estate Broker
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
718 Ridgewood Dr., Antioch,
IL. 60002, (847)395-5737.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
Oliver John Blin, 718 Ridge-
wood Dr., Antioch, IL. 60002,
(847)395-5737.
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE

This is to certify that the un-
dersigned intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) indi-
cated and that the true and
legal full name(s) of the per-
son(s) owning, conducting or
transacting the business
is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Oliver John Blin

April 10, 2006

The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before
me by the person(s) intend-
ing to conduct the business
this 10th. day of April 2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Barbara J. Noster

Notary Public

Received: April 10, 2006

Willard R. Helander

Lake County Clerk

0414B-7760-AN

April 14, 21, 28, 2006

**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
OYA Trucking
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Delivery
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
617 Lake Breeze Ct., Lake
Villa, IL. 60046, (847)409-
8549.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
Octavio Gonzalez, (847)409-
8549, Blanca Gonzalez,
(224) 381-8303, 617 Lake
Breeze Ct., Lake Villa, IL.
60046.
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE

This is to certify that the un-
dersigned intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) indi-
cated and that the true and
legal full name(s) of the per-
son(s) owning, conducting or
transacting the business
is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Octavio Gonzalez

/s/ Blanca Gonzalez

April 10, 2006

The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before
me by the person(s) intend-
ing to conduct the business

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this 10th. day of April 2006.
OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Claudia C. Rodriguez
Notary Public
Received: April 10, 2006
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0421C-7766-LV
April 21, 28, 2006
May 5, 2006

**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
T.F. Construction
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Construction
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
5055 Glendale Dr., Gurnee,
IL. 60031, (847)376-1583.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
Timothy Finkel, 5055 Glen-
dale Dr., Gurnee, IL. 60031,
(847)376-1583.
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE

This is to certify that the un-
dersigned intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) indi-
cated and that the true and
legal full name(s) of the per-
son(s) owning, conducting or
transacting the business
is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Timothy Finkel

April 13, 2006

The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before
me by the person(s) intend-
ing to conduct the business
this 13th. day of April 2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Judith Wachowiak

Notary Public

Received: April 13, 2006

Willard R. Helander

Lake County Clerk

0421C-7768-GP

April 21, 28, 2006

May 5, 2006

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Any Exterior Cleaning
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Cleaning of: boats, decks,
driveways, engines, graffiti,
patios, siding, etc.
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
686 Marine Drive, Waucon-
da, IL. 60084, (847)526-
1781.
NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
Todd A. Adawi, 686 Marine
Drive, Wauconda, IL. 60084,
(847)526-1781.
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE

This is to certify that the un-
dersigned intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) indi-
cated and that the true and
legal full name(s) of the per-
son(s) owning, conducting or
transacting the business
is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Todd A. Adawi

March 29, 2006

The foregoing instrument
was acknowledged before
me by the person(s) intend-
ing to conduct the business
this 29th. day of March
2006.

OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/M. Ricardia Cornejo

Notary Public

Received: March 29, 2006

Willard R. Helander

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0407A-7743-WL

April 7, 14, 21, 2006

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By
Scott T. Fleischmann

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Why do people stay in boring, meaningless jobs? There are two primary reasons. First, most people have never evaluated their skills and desires objectively. As I coach those who are dissatisfied with their current jobs, I see few who have ever been through a comprehensive career analysis to discover the types of jobs that best match their needs and interests. I have written about this process many times.

The other reason is that people are unwilling to venture into the process of identifying and working toward a satisfying career. They may ask themselves worrisome questions such as: "What happens if I fail half-way through the process? How will my current job be affected by the process? Can I manage my current job while exploring my other options?" The first step can be daunting.

These are all good questions. The answer is that the risk needs to be commensurate with the rewards. Some people hate to get out of bed in the morning because they hate their jobs. They admit that there may be a better job but they do not completely understand the value of that prize. Those who endure occasional conflict with a co-worker, but generally enjoy their work, may decide that the effort and risks are not worth the potential improvement.

Yet everyone should explore their skills and desires related to work. We spend eight hours each day for most of our lives at work. Those who are not doing appropriate, enjoyable work will spend one third of their waking hours in an unsettling situation. This situation is easily remedied.

One approach that eases many people's concerns is a multi-stepped process with checkpoint evaluations. Most career coaches use some variation of this method. The principle is that every exploration is done in steps. Each step has at least one checkpoint where the process is reevaluated.

As an example, I use a six-step process. At the end of each step, we evaluate the next step. Essentially, there are two options. If the client has all of the information that he or she needs, we stop the process. If more information is needed, we take the next step. This process minimizes the risk of failure while investigating the potential for maximum career rewards.

Those who never do a structured, methodical career analysis will never know if they are in the job that is the best match for their skills and desires. Consequently, those who are not satisfied with their current employment doom themselves to a lifetime of boredom, disenchantment and stress. I believe there is a great job available for almost everyone. Taking a calculated risk on exploring other possibilities can open the door to a fulfilling, dynamic new career.

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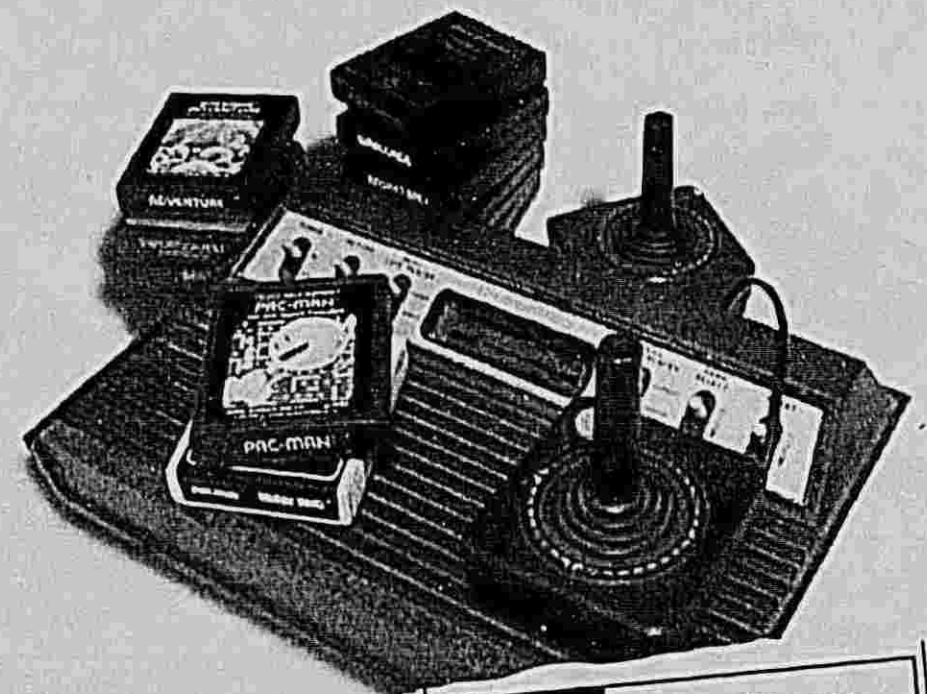
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It's important to find out in advance what insurance options are offered by your rental car company. That way, you can decide what coverage you need and compare it to what you already have under your own policies. Contact your insurance company to see what kind of coverage you have on your own vehicle. Your own collision coverage from your personal auto insurance policy will likely cover damage you cause to any car you're driving, including a rental car.

However, some policies say that any coverage you buy in "excess" (or addition) to what

you have comes first. Plus, your own collision insurance requires you to pay a deductible before they'll pay. Note that your own insurance usually reflects the value of your car. So if your rental car is worth more than your personal car, consider buying additional coverage.

In the event you cause an accident in your rental car, your liability insurance will pay for the damages you cause to someone else, plus any medical expenses, and covers you up to the limits of your policy. Again, if you get this insurance from the rental company, your own coverage will be considered excess.

Rental companies also offer waivers like Loss Damage Waivers (LDW) and Collision Damage Waivers (CDW), which relieve you of financial responsibility. So, if your rental car is stolen or vandalized, or you crash the rental car, it won't be held against your personal policy. Some LDWs include the CDW, and some waivers re-

quire a deductible. Cost varies per day, depending on the rental car company, the location, and what kind of car you rent.

Some rental car companies offer liability insurance supplements that will cover you for up to \$1 million if you cause an accident, damage property, or injure others. If you purchase this insurance from the rental car company, it becomes your primary liability insurance. Your own personal auto liability insurance is, again, relegated to excess-coverage status. Costs will vary per day.

You can also often purchase accidental death and personal property insurance from your rental car company. It covers you and your passengers for medical/ambulance bills.

However, it may be unnecessary if you have health insurance or medical coverage.

It's up to you to choose what kinds of coverage you want. Buying additional insurance can increase your rental costs,



The skies may be blue while you are on vacation, but don't forget to get adequate rental insurance so it doesn't "rain" on your vacation.

but buying no insurance can hurt you if you are in a car accident. The best thing to do is check your insurance policies to see what kind of coverage you have in a rented car. Then,

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How-to guide for waxing your car

There's no doubt that a shiny car is eye-catching. Sure, it might be new or have just been washed. But more likely than not, that luster is the result of a wax job. A good wax makes a car almost look like it's alive, giving it sparkle, depth and vibrance.

Don't think you need to spend hundreds of dollars to give your car a high-gloss shine. Visit your local auto supply shop for wax and an applicator, and you can easily do it yourself. Then, follow these tips to give your vehicle a glow that others will envy.

1. Wash and dry your car thoroughly. It should be free of dirt and contaminants. To make sure it's clean, run your fingers over the hood and roof. The surface should feel smooth. If you feel bumps or see tree sap, bug stains, or water spots, you may need to apply a specially formulated cleaner.

2. Park the car in a cool, shady spot. If you can't do that, wax one section at a time so the sun doesn't bake the wax into your car. If it's extremely hot or cold outside, wait for better weather conditions to wax your car.

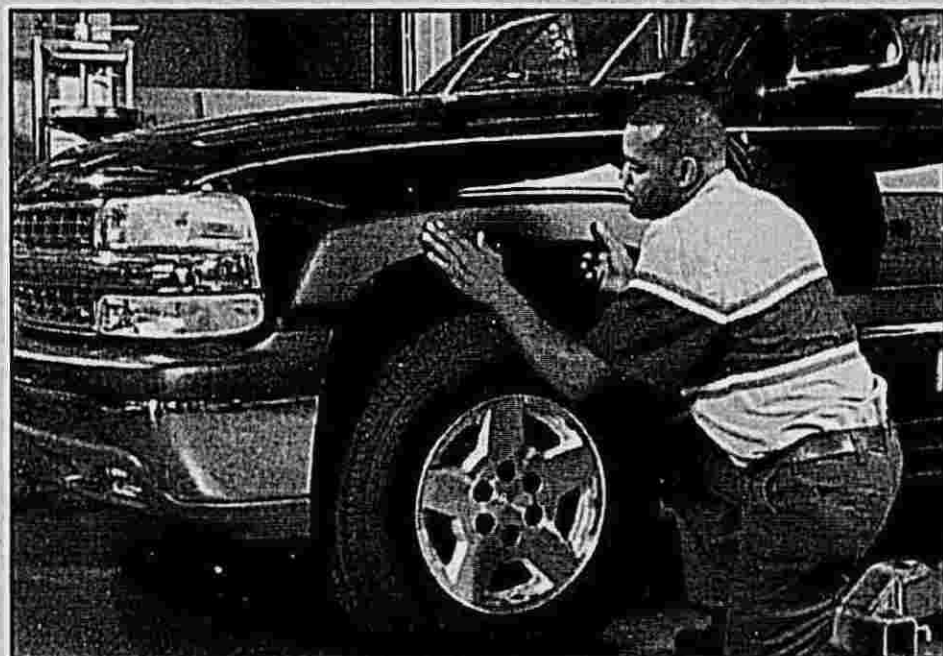
3. Dip a damp sponge or foam applicator pad, coating it with a half-dollar amount of wax. When the applicator is caked with wax, use a fresh applicator.

4. Rub the wax onto the car in a circular motion — and rub it into the car well. Work a section at a time (2 to 4 square feet). Avoid waxing in seams and joints. If this does happen, remove the wax with an old, soft toothbrush. Do not wax windows or other glass surfaces of the car.

5. Inspect the car for any signs of residual wax by looking at the sides and the front. It's important to remove excess wax as it can damage the paint, especially if the car is exposed to direct sunlight. Don't let the wax sit for too long.

6. Use a cheese cloth rag to polish or buff the car's entire surface. Read the wax's instructions before proceeding as some products let you coat the entire car with wax before you buff and some do not. Shake out the towel as you work to avoid wax buildup and streaking.

7. Admire your good-as-new vehicle!



Look at that car shine! You can make your car sparkle like new by waxing it yourself.

Give your new car some personality

Back in the 1950s, '60s and even '70s, cars were built to impress. Some models came standard with fancy grilles, hub caps and spoilers. Distinctive head and tail lights, fenders and mirrors set others apart.

Back then, people referred to their classmates as "the guy" with the 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air or "the fellow" with the 1953 Studebaker. Today, most of the cars on the market look so similar, people don't even pay attention to what you're driving.

If you're among the growing number of people who don't think the "look" your car came with is distinctive enough and want to do something about it, here are some ideas:

• Replace the wheels

One of the easiest, and most popular ways to dress a car up is by replacing the wheels or rims. You can find dozens of different finishes and styles in the aftermarket — ranging from the present day standard of alloy rims to those polished with a distinct chrome finish. Some people even opt for eye-catching rims that include spinners which cause an optical illusion that the wheel is still spinning even when the vehicle is stopped.

• Replace the grille

If you think your car's front end is plain, that's easy to change too by simply switch-

ing out the grille. There are so many designs available today, there's something for everyone.

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• Other cosmetic changes

In addition to replacing wheels and grilles, some people also like to personalize their cars by adding pin stripes and decals. If you'll be putting them on yourself, be sure to give the vehicle a thorough cleaning first. The stickers will peel off and weather quickly if dirt prevents them from bonding to the surface.

10 ways to save at the pump

High gas prices have become a way of life. But spending your salary at the pump doesn't have to be the norm, that is if you learn how to conserve gas. Follow these easy tips to get more mileage out of your tank and keep more money in your pocket.

1. Drive with caution. Don't exceed highway speed limits. Use moderate-to-easy acceleration. Gas mileage is negatively affected by fast acceleration and fast deceleration. If possible, use cruise control on highway trips. Maintaining a constant speed helps reduce fuel consumption.

2. Maintain a properly tuned engine. Dirty spark plugs do not create the maximum spark and cause reduced horsepower and increased emissions.

3. Go easy on the air conditioning. Limit use of air conditioning, especially on summer

days.

4. Use synthetic lubricants. Switch to synthetic motor oil and drivetrain lubricants.

5. Maintain your car's air filter. Install a new air filter as needed. To get optimal efficiency from your engine, it needs to breathe.

6. Take advantage of aerodynamics. Keep windows rolled up if you are travelling over 40 mph. At highway speeds, traveling with the windows open can create a wind drag that will lower your mileage. Sunroofs also disturb smooth aerodynamic air flow and reduce mileage. Avoid using a roof rack; you can reduce aerodynamic drag and improve fuel economy by placing items inside the trunk whenever possible.

7. Take good care of your tires. Make sure your tires are properly inflated, and keep

them balanced and rotated regularly. Use radial tires for less friction between tire and road. Also, make sure the front end is aligned for better mileage and a longer tire life.

8. Avoid excess weight. Pack light and clean out your trunk periodically. You would be surprised how many unnecessary items most people keep in their trunks. Every 200 pounds of unnecessary weight shaves 1 mile per gallon off your gas mileage.

9. Minimize idling. One minute of idling uses more fuel than restarting your engine. When possible, avoid drive-throughs. Idling for as little as 10 minutes while you wait in line can waste 5 or 6 miles of gas. Limit warm-ups to 30 seconds.

10. Plan trips in advance. Make a list of errands and try to take care of as many as possible on the same trip.

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Down to the last four

Finalists rock it out for FUEL lead singer slot

By REBECCA KLUGIEWICZ
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LIBERTYVILLE — It began as the opportunity of a lifetime. More than 120 people from Chicagoland on a quest to become a rock star. Now, only four remain standing.

The competition to become the next lead singer of the band FUEL began on Wednesday, April 5, at Austin's Saloon and Eatery, 481 Peterson Road, in Libertyville. That night, more than 120 wannabe rock stars auditioned. Twelve were selected to move on to the next round, which was Wednesday, April 12.

Four finalists, Chris Bobrowski of Wheeling, Scott DeBose of Wheaton, Chris Huebner of Palatine, and Michael Sean Johnson of Milwaukee, are set to rock their way to the finish.

The 12 semifinalists went head to head last week, each singing two songs by FUEL. Danny Volpe, 28, of Mundelein, sang the hits "Bad Day" and "Hemorrhage (In My Hands)."

"There's some really great competition," Volpe said before the contest.

The first round was less stressful for him because many of the contestants didn't make



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Chris Bobrowski, of Wheeling, sings for the crowd at Austin's in Libertyville. He is one of four finalists battling to become the lead singer of FUEL.

it to the next round.

"The people tonight are so much better," he said.

Another contestant, Shawn Anthony, 29, of Round Lake, found solace in his parents.

"That's my dad," he said about a man who came to talk to him. "He and my mom are my biggest fans."

Anthony sang the same two songs as Volpe.

The audience can be relieved, or possibly upset, that contestant Mike Thompson of

Lake in the Hills didn't make it to the finals.

"If I make it to the final four, I will sing a full song in my underwear," he told the crowd before his performance.

The final round of competition was Wednesday, April 19, at Austin's. The winner will fly to Los Angeles to audition for the band.

The contest is sponsored by radio station 95 WIIL ROCK. More information can be found at www.95wiil.com.



Chris Bobrowski, Wheeling; current bands include Hairbangers Ball and Aether.



Michael Sean Johnson, Milwaukee, Wis.; current band is Bellevue Suite.



Chris Huebner, Palatine; current band is Sleeping Shelby.



Scott DeBose, Wheaton; previous band was 101 Ranch.

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Local harpist finds her chord

By CHARLIE CORR
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GRAYSLAKE — Sometimes it takes versatility and variety for today's music aficionados to appreciate different genres. Grayslake resident and pedal-harpist Alison Attar understands the importance of classical history and its blend with pop culture.

As a freelance musician, Attar, 37, has performed with some of the country's most esteemed symphonies. When familiar pop icons such as Brian Wilson, Linda Ronstadt and Peter Dinklage have sought new avenues for expressing their music, classical performers like Attar have provided that unique blend of sound.



Alison Attar
Grayslake harpist

One of these most recognized compilation groups has been the Chicagoland Pops Orchestra, through which Attar has had the privilege to play alongside some of the world's most famous pop artists.

"There are some people who come in and are amazingly flexible," Attar said. "They have a beautiful voice, they can improvise and they're pleasant."

"One of my strengths is reading music quickly. It definitely comes in for the pop stuff. You get the music on the day of the show, and I'm very comfortable doing that."

Attar, a Menasha, Wis., native, first became interested in the harp when she was 12 years old and was listening to Christmas music by the Philadelphia Symphony.

"I had exposure to classical music early on," Attar said. "In the ballet when I was 4, piano when I was 5 ... a lot of exposure. I liked how the harp fit into the orchestra."

Attar picked up the 6-foot instrument rather

quickly. The harp is more or less a combination of a piano and guitar. The strings are the equivalent of the inside of a piano, but are plucked like a guitar. Instead of guitar frets, the pedal is used to exercise the change of chords.

Attar attended Northwestern University as a chemistry major, but she quickly made a move to the university's music department. She holds a bachelor's, master's and doctorate degree in harp performance.

"There are not many schools that offer degrees in harp," said the musician. "Northwestern ranges six to 12 kids in every given year."

During her days at Northwestern, Attar had no problem getting started on a freelance classical career.

"They have a referral service. If you're looking for a harpist, they refer calls to students," said Attar of Northwestern's department. "You can find jobs on the Internet, but I still find 85 or 90 percent of my work from word of mouth."

The harpist has had a chance to travel across the country and across the globe.

She has performed with the San Francisco Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra; and through Boston's Handel and Haydn Society, Attar went to Scotland's Edinburgh Festival in 1996. But with a husband and two kids, the bulk of Attar's work has stayed in the states.

"I'd like to travel again. I love that part," Attar said. "I love working with different people every day, with different kinds of music."

On Saturday, April 29, Attar and the Chicagoland Pops Orchestra will perform "Bugs Bunny on Broadway" at Allstate Arena in Rosemont.

Music written by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, Richard Wagner, Gioacchino Rossini and more will bring the Warner Bros. cartoons to life in a performance for all ages of interest.

In late May, Chicagoland Pops will feature a display of music written for some of today's most popular videogames.

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Friday, May 19:
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Sunday, May 21:
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ham, and the Community Youth Network is bringing it to Lake County.

Performances begin in May, and will take place at the Christian Arts Auditorium, 2500 Dowie Memorial Drive, in Zion.

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Public invited to star party

INGLESIDE — Want to look at the stars?

The Lake County Astronomical Society is hosting a public star-gazing party at 9:30 p.m. on April 21 at the Volo Bog State Natural Area. Come check out the night sky with a group of enthusiasts and astronomy buffs.

From 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., a public astronomy program will be presented at park's visitor center. Guests and newcomers are welcome to attend both events.

The Lake County Astronomical Society is comprised of people of all ages who are inter-

How to get there

• From Route 12, take Sullivan Lake Road west to Brandenburg Road, then north to the entrance of the Volo Bog State Natural Area. The visitor center is in a large converted barn on a hill to the south of the large parking lot.

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Comedian to deliver laughs in Waukegan

WAUKEGAN — Who is Brian Regan? Only one of the hottest comedians around. He has sold out theaters across the country, and audiences keep coming back for more. So, where did this comedian come from?

Regan's background

As a kid, Regan was a huge fan of Johnny Carson, The Smothers Brothers and Jonathan Winters, but his fascination with stand-up comedy really kicked in when Steve Martin came on the scene. It was Martin's silly, but smart, comedic genius that inspired Regan to perform.

Tickets please

• Brian Regan will perform at the Genesee Theatre, 203 N. Genesee St., in Waukegan at 8 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets can be purchased at the Genesee Theatre Box Office; all Ticketmaster phone outlets: (312) 559-1212; or online at www.ticketmaster.com.
• For more information, call the Genesee Theatre at (847) 263-6300.

While in the Big Apple, Regan used his time to learn the difference between getting laughs and getting good laughs. He kept his comedy broad enough to work everywhere, but unique enough for the demanding New York City scene.

Making it big

The tightrope paid off in 1988 when he won \$10,000 in the K-Rock-Miller Lite Funniest Person in New York contest.

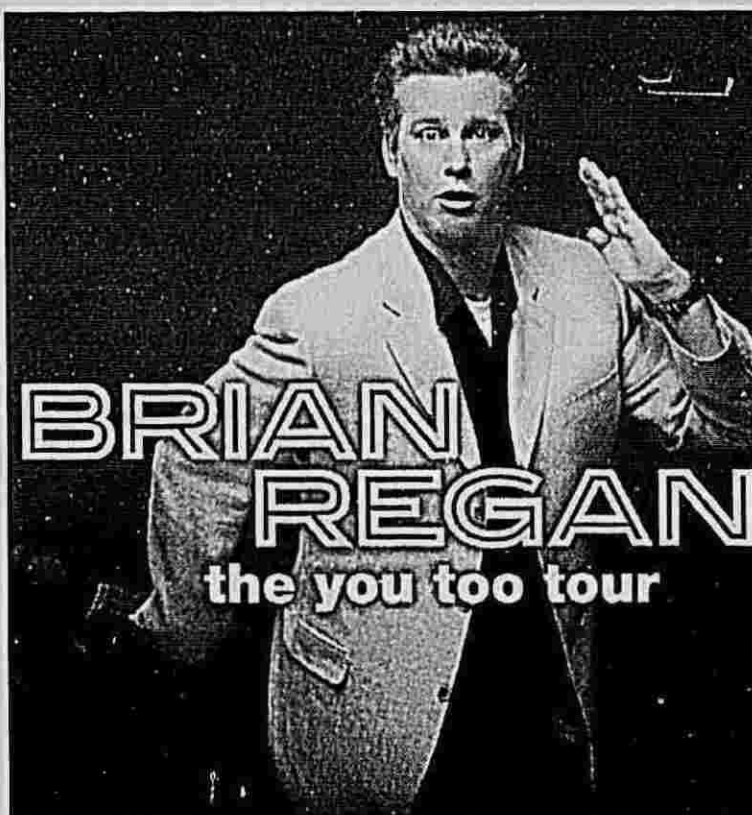


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Comedian Brian Regan will perform at the Genesee Theatre in Waukegan on April 22.

Carson.

The accolades and opportunities kept coming. Regan won the American Comedy Award for Best Comedian in 1996, and released a CD, "Brian Regan Live," in 1997.

Recent years

In 2005, with Regan's fan base having grown beyond the capacity of the nation's comedy clubs, the performer embarked on a 40-city theater tour playing to sold-out houses and receiving standing ovations and rave reviews.

Today, he makes regular TV appearances on both "The Late Show with David Letterman" and "Late Night with Conan O'Brien."

—● Critic's choice

Kolvenbach's 'Love Song' instills sublime touch

By TOM WITOM
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CHICAGO — The gale-force power of imagination — how it shapes an individual's reality and, in turn, influences others within a person's circle — is at the root of John Kolvenbach's wonderful new play, "Love Song," premiering at Chicago's Steppenwolf Theatre.

An intelligent, offbeat romantic comedy, "Love Song" centers on Beane (Ian Barford), a withdrawn young man in his 30s who makes a living as a collector in a token booth and seems to dwell in the shadows of the real world.

Beane's tiny, stripped-down apartment has the barest of necessities. The light from a table lamp flickers, and the place seems to be closing in on him.

Each day he becomes more spectral.

The one person closest to Beane is his protective, business-minded sister Joan (Molly Regan). Joan is first seen on stage arguing with her husband Harry (Francis Guinan) over how she fired another intern at her office, this time for misfiling some documents.

The pair is concerned about Beane, but they are unsure why.

When Beane comes across an unexpected and improbable intruder, Molly (Mariann Mayberry), his life takes a 180-degree turn. Suddenly, he gets excited about food and develops a heightened sense of smell.

His sexual appetite also is awakened.

"Now, I'm alive. One week in the light, and it's as if songs ring out from every speaker," Beane tells his sister.

Neither she nor Harry knows what to make of the situation, since they're convinced Molly is only a fabrication.

Still, Beane's new embrace of the world ("I don't want to be dead again") inspires Harry and Joan to playful inventions of their own, and ultimately rekindles a spark of romance in their relationship.

Director Austin Pendleton orchestrates a dynamic cast that captures Kolvenbach's highly nuanced, beautifully written script.

Guinan literally rolls on the floor in a tizzy as he hears of the daily taunts that his ill-used brother-in-law had to endure during his childhood.

Regan fully captures the role of Joan. With imaginary cigarettes and a pretend cocktail in hand, she becomes revitalized as she attempts to break out of character by calling in sick from work for the first time in order to spend the day romancing her husband. Similarly, Barford and Mayberry bring red-hot intensity to their roles.

Brian Sidney Bembridge merits notice for a well-crafted scenic design: a tastefully appointed loft apartment — kitchen, living room and bedroom, with plenty of brickwork and oversized windows all on view.

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'Who we are'

22nd Annual Chicago Latino Film Festival offers glimpse into various cultures

By MATT PERA
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More than anyone, Pepe Vargas knows just how far the Chicago Latino Film Festival has come.

In 1984, the festival's first year, 14 films were shown on a concrete wall in an old theatre on the north side of Chicago, with about 500 people in attendance.

Since then, Vargas, the founder of the annual event, has watched his brainchild grow into the largest celebration of Latino cinema in the United States.

The 22nd Annual Chicago Latino Film Festival, which kicks off today and runs until May 2, will feature 100 films from more than 20 countries with an anticipated audience of more than 30,000 people.

But Vargas, who is also the founder of the International Latino Cultural Center of Chicago (ILCC), said those numbers are secondary to the quality of the festival.

"It is a big responsibility for us to make sure it is the best," he said.

Vargas, a native of Columbia who was named a Chicagoan of the Year in 2003 by the Chicago Tribune, also helped Shimer College in Waukegan organize a



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The Chicago Latino Film Festival runs April 21 through May 3.

four-day Latino film festival earlier this year, during the first week of March.

During both the smaller event in Lake County, and now leading into the Chicago festival, he emphasized the importance of non-Latinos attending the films to gain a better understanding of one of the fastest growing populations in the country.

"The film festival allows us to share ... and give people the opportunity to see Latinos in a different role than the roles that Hollywood films allow us to portray ourselves," he said. "Our biggest concern is the quality [of the films]. We are dealing with something so precious and connected to us. It's so sacred, it's who we are."

Vargas said the films se-

lected this year deal with a wide range of topics, including immigration, political repression and globalization.

The films featured at the festival come from nearly every country in Latin America, as well as Spain, Portugal and the United States.

Melissa Saldana, the programming manager for the Chicago Latino Film Festival and the ILCC, said audiences would find similarities to their own lives regardless of their backgrounds.

"Even if the situations differ, the topics and themes are universal," she said. "They talk about love and war and hate and family. Maybe the dynamics are different but the essence is there."

In order to attract a broader audience, Vargas said English subtitles were required for all films at the festival.

ILCC Executive Director Leylha Ahuile said she hoped audiences would walk away having learned something about independent films that have a difficult time making it into the mainstream.

"In every movie, there is a message," she said. "And, in these movies, there is a message about a culture, about people, and it's just a window into someone's life and society."

22nd Chicago Latino Film Festival

DATES

April 21 through May 3

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Gene Siskel Film Center, 164 N. State St.

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Idol gone amuck



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Mandy Moore (right) and Hugh Grant star in the satirical political comedy "American Dreamz."

American Dreamz shoots for the stars

By PAM & GEORGE O. SHINGLETON

American Dreamz

Martin Tweed (as played brilliantly by Hugh Grant) exudes smarm and more than a bit of hedonistic behavior as the host of "American Dreamz," a hit TV show where contestants unrealistically expect their often mediocre talent to catapult them to fame and fortune. And viewers unreasonably jam telephone lines to vote for their favorite wannabe.

Sound familiar?

Sally Kendoo (Mandy Moore) is a wise-beyond-her-years singer who wants her shot at stardom on the show, and she can feign innocence with the best of them.

She's about to dump her wide-eyed, infatuated boyfriend William (Chris Klein). Sally has outgrown him and is ready to move on. William is devastated and runs off to join the military.

After quick training, William is sent to a war zone in the Middle East. He's there for little more than a minute, gets injured, and soon returns home as a war hero.

William arrives on her doorstep about the same time as "American Dreamz" comes

Hugh Grant
Dennis Quaid
Willem Dafoe
Mandy Moore

Martin Tweed
President Staton
Vice President
Sally Kendoo

Written and directed by Paul Weitz
Satirical political comedy
Rated PG-13
Universal
Running time: 107 minutes

knocking. Sally and her mother (Jennifer Coolidge, who just makes you laugh when she comes onscreen) calculate that by Sally becoming his girlfriend again, she becomes more newsworthy and more likely to make it onto the TV show.

Dim-bulb U.S. President Staton (Dennis Quaid) is encouraged by his vice president (Willem Dafoe, looking remarkably similar to VP Cheney) to boost his poll ratings by appearing on America's most popular television show, "American Dreamz."

The spin on the plot comes from Omer (Sam Goltzari), a terrorist in training in the Middle East, who has two left feet, no sense of militarism and listens

to American show tunes in his tent at night.

To get rid of him, Omer is told he will be part of a sleeper cell in America and he is sent to visit his cousins in the United States. His cousins are first-rate mall rats in (where else?) sunny California. They live the decadent American life, complete with a convertible and credit cards.

This spoof of TV's "American Idol" has a not-too-subtle subtext with a satirical point of view that all but the staunchest of Bush II supporters will find humorous.

Pam's take: America has a love affair with unrealistic "reality" shows and the participants "I'll do anything" grab at notoriety. I have a "Fear Factor" that we're in a "Great Race" to be the "Survivor" of the ultimate game of the Great World War.

George's take: As in the recent "V for Vendetta," this is another entertaining film where we are encouraged to think beyond what our politicians and revered institutions have to say or not. Because, like it or not, they are the key sources of forming public opinion.

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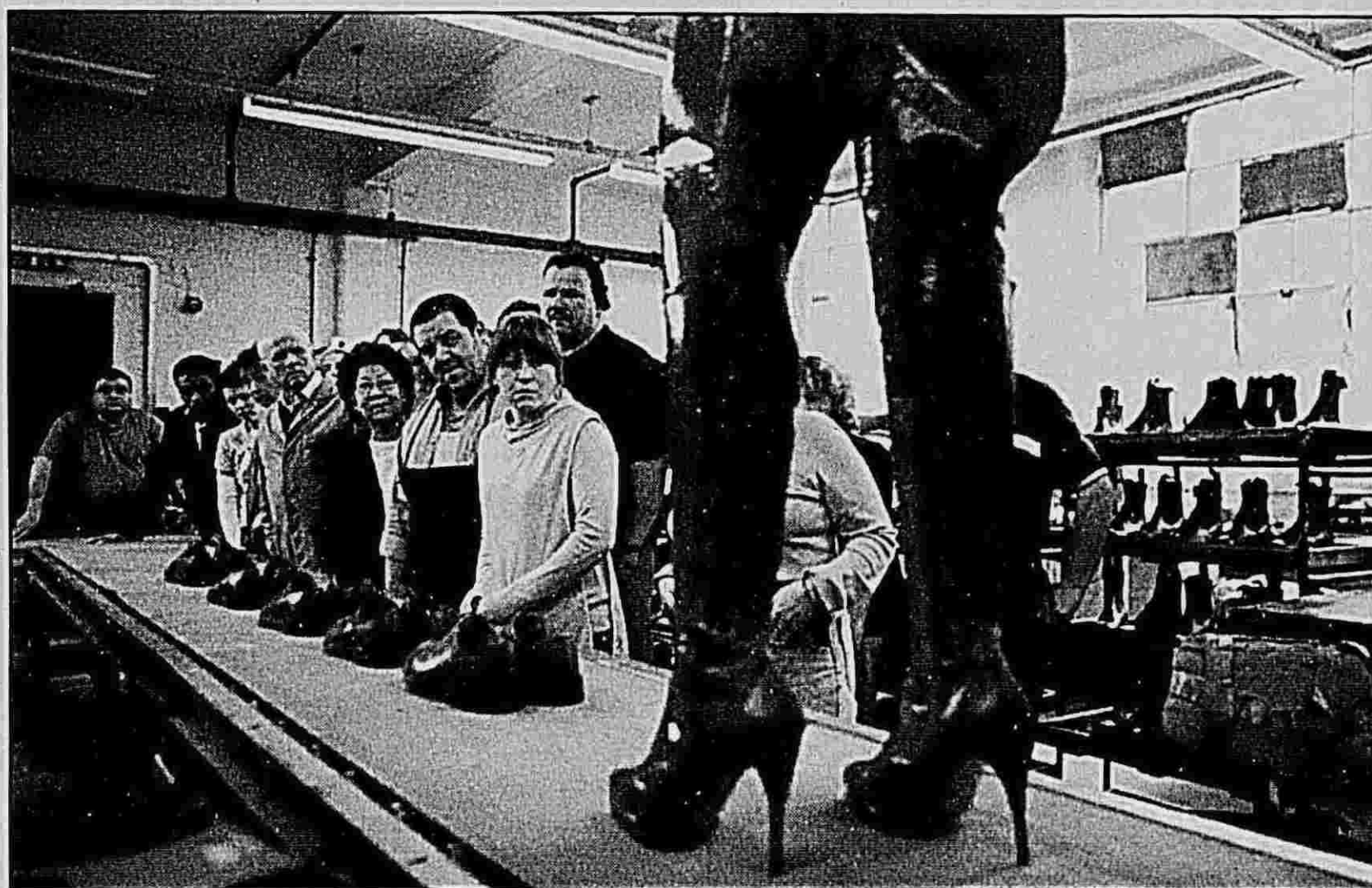


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The film, "Kinky Boots," starring Charlie Price, focuses on not being ashamed of a person's identity.

Boots made for walkin'

By PAM & GEORGE O. SHINGLETON

Charlie Price (Joel Edgerton of "Star Wars: Episode III – Revenge of the Sith") has no plans to carry on the tradition of running the family shoe factory in a conservative, small town outside of London. He and his fiancé are absolutely thrilled to take in the view from their trendy new London apartment.

Under the heading of "life happens while you are making other plans," Charlie finds himself back at the factory after his father suddenly dies.

Although he worked there from the time he was a child, Charlie's heart never was into the shoe business. He takes care of things by the numbers, until sales drop because of changing fashions. His wake-up call comes when he has to start laying people off that he has known all his life.

While Charlie gives pert factory worker Lauren (Sarah Jane Potts) her notice, she takes him to task for placidly accepting defeat and not trying to make things better. "Change the product," she chides.

On a business trip to London, in an effort to save the company, Charlie witnesses an attack on a woman on a dark street and he tries to come to her rescue. Later, as he recuperates from a pounding, Charlie realizes that the tall and tantalizing woman,

Kinky Boots

Joel Edgerton
Chiwetel Ejiofor
Sarah Jane Potts

Charlie Price
Lola/Simon
Lauren

Romantic comedy, directed by Julian Jarrold
Rated PG-13.
Miramax.
Running time: 107 minutes.

named Lola (Chiwetel Ejiofor, Denzel Washington's detective partner in "Inside Man" and the star of "Dirty, Pretty Things"), actually is a broad shouldered hunk of a guy, named Simon, who tripped on his stiletto-heel boots.

Simon is a female impersonator with flair for design. He headlines a cabaret show full of flamboyant guys. And their audience loves high-fashion boots and shoes that often break down under the weight of the men. The germ of a seed of a new product line has been seen, but not yet planted.

Charlie does a test design of a boot that Lola could wear during her performances. And Lola has a way of showing up where she's not expected, in part to make others feel uncomfortable with themselves, much like she is uncomfortable with herself.

Charlie is more than a little surprised when Lola leaves London to make a visit to his factory to see how

the boot design is progressing.

In a way, the film is similar to "Brokeback Mountain" and "Transamerica." "Kinky Boots" deals with being who you are and not being ashamed of it. A key difference in this film is that it abounds with joy, rather than sadness.

The film, based on a true story, has an enjoyable, predictably happy ending. We have mixed feelings about Chiwetel Ejiofor playing the role of a transvestite and how it might affect his budding career as a leading man ("Dirty Pretty Things" with Audrey Tautou, who is co-starring with Tom Hanks in "The Da Vinci Code" next month).

Edgerton and Ejiofor are superb, as well as the supporting cast. The true charm in the film comes from great cinematography, the feel of the small town, the smoky cabaret and the set locations in Milan, where Charlie and Lauren go for the fashion show to launch the new line of hot footwear.

An interesting story, and Sarah-Jane Potts warms your heart as the romance between Lauren and Charlie develops. She brings the same warmth and depth of character to this film that Samantha Morton did in "In America." This is a rare movie in which the previews (normally OK) are not nearly as good as the full-length movie.



Opening this week

The Sentinel (PG-13): Michael Douglas is the most decorated agent in the history of the U.S. Secret Service and the president's last line of defense. But now, wrongly suspected of targeting the president for assassination, Douglas has become the Service's worst nightmare. As he uses his skills to try and prove his innocence and find the real assassin, Douglas is tracked by his equally adept former protégé. Also starring Kiefer Sutherland and Kim Basinger.

Silent Hill (R): An eerie and deserted town draws a young mother desperate to find a cure for her only child's illness. Unable to accept the doctor's diagnosis that her daughter should be permanently institutionalized for psychiatric care, Radha Mitchell flees with her child, heading for the town of Silent Hill in search of answers – and ignoring the protests of her husband (Sean Bean). As Mitchell begins to learn the history of the strange town, she realizes her daughter is just a pawn in a larger game.

When Do we Eat? (R): The story of the world's fastest Passover Seder. On this night, secrets will be revealed, fantasies fulfilled, barriers broken down when the normal intent is that some food is to be consumed as part of a yearly tradition. A tough-love dad has to deal with hosting his father (Jack Klugman), who never unpacks, his wife (Leslie Ann Warren), who is intent on creating the perfect Seder, and his children, who go out of their way to make the night an adventure. Playing at Renaissance Center in Highland Park.

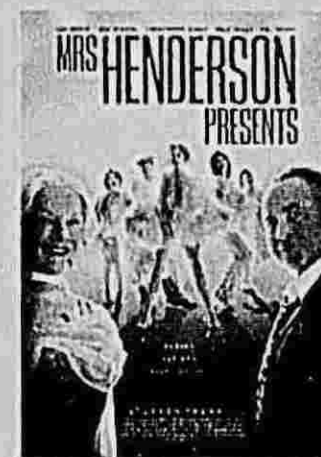
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Mrs. Henderson Presents (R): This well intentioned tale of a wealthy widow in 1937 London who enters the theatre business on a whim is elevated by Judi Dench, Bob Hoskins and some splashy production numbers. But the weak screenplay fails to really catch fire.

Catharsis comes because Mrs. Henderson can't comprehend anyone who isn't in her class. As those from privileged classes tend to do, she knows little about the less privileged, though the reverse seldom is true.

This layer of conflicting complexities form a glimmer of real heart in the film and it is too bad more was not made of it.

– Review provided by Shelley Cameron for Reel Movie Critic.




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Tsotsi (R): Winner of Oscar for Best Foreign Film, playing at Renaissance Center in Highland Park.
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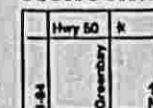
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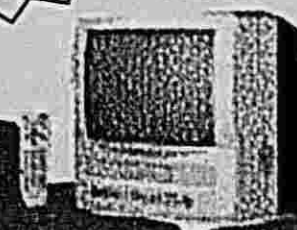
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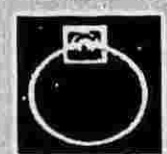
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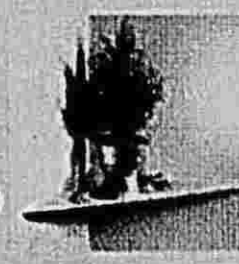
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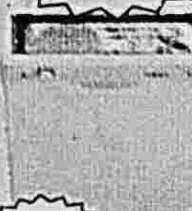
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● Cooking by the Book

Fresh fruit fit for brunch, desserts

By TOM WITOM
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Whether it's for an upcoming Mother's Day brunch or a Memorial Day dessert, fruit can play a prominent – and tasty – role.

"Fruit: Recipes for Lunch, Brunch, Desserts and More" (Ryland Peters & Small), by Brian Glover, offers a fine selection of recipes. Everything from citrus and tropical fruits to berries, melons, orchard and vine fruits are included in his small, eclectic volume.

Raspberry waffles with peach and pistachio honey is one of several fine pancake-waffle ideas from Glover's repertoire.

Among the entrees that mix fruit with meat is the intriguing "Duck with Spiced Plums." Summer fruit salad, easy chocolate and blackberry roulade and a simple apple tart are among the dessert possibilities.

Raspberry waffles

(Serves 4; makes 8)

Peach and Pistachio Honey:

- 2 firm peaches, skinned and pitted
- 1 1/2 cups clear orange blossom honey
- 1 tablespoon peach schnapps (optional)
- 2 ounces shelled, unsalted pistachios

Waffles:

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 3 eggs, separated
- 1 cup milk
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted and cooled
- 2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- 6 ounces fresh raspberries
- Sour cream or creme fraiche to serve (optional)
- A waffle iron, lightly greased

To make the peach and pistachio honey, cut the peach flesh into 1/8-inch cubes. Put the honey and schnapps, if using, into a saucepan and heat until almost boiling. Remove the pan from the heat, add the chopped peaches and pistachios and let cool slightly.

To make the waffles, sift the flour, baking powder, salt and sugar into a large bowl. Put

the egg yolks, milk, cooled melted butter and vanilla extract in a separate bowl and beat well. Add the dry ingredients to the egg mixture and stir until just mixed. Add the raspberries to the batter, crushing some with the back of a spoon to give a marbled effect.

Put the egg whites in a spotlessly clean, grease-free bowl and beat with a wire whisk or electric beaters until stiff peaks form. Gently fold them into the waffle batter using a large metal spoon.

Preheat the waffle iron, then spoon 1/4 to 1/2 cup of the batter (depending on the size of the waffle iron) into the compartments. Cook until crisp, 4 to 5 minutes. Transfer to a plate and keep the waffles warm in a low oven while you cook the remainder.

Serve the waffles warm, topped with a spoonful of the peach and pistachio honey and some sour cream or creme fraiche, if using.

Duck with Spiced Plums

(Serves 4)

- 4 duck breasts, with skin, 8 ounces each
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 tablespoon dark soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons rice wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons palm sugar* or soft brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 4 plums, cut in half and pitted
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

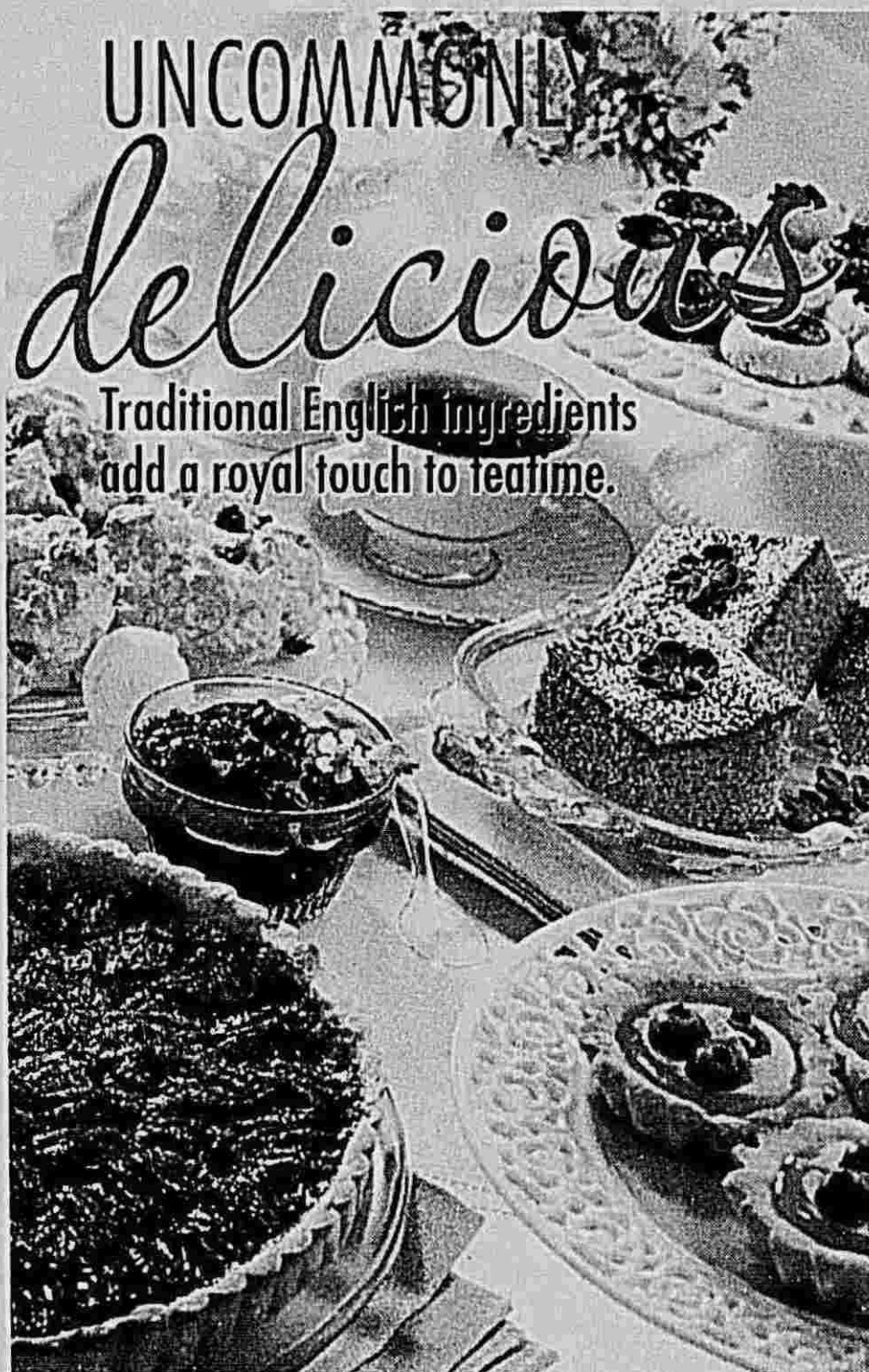
Use a sharp knife to cut several slashes in the duck skin. Rub the skin with salt and pepper. Put the honey and soy sauce in a shallow dish, stir well, add the duck breasts and let marinate for at least 15 minutes.

Put the vinegar, sugar, cinnamon and 2 tablespoons water in a saucepan and heat until the sugar dissolves. Bring to a boil, add the plums and simmer gently for 8 to 10 minutes until the plums have softened. Let cool.

Meanwhile, heat a stovetop grill pan or heavy skillet until hot. Add the duck skin side down, and cook over medium heat for 5 minutes. Turn and cook for another 4 to 5 minutes, then remove from the heat and let rest in a low oven for 5 minutes.

Slice the duck crosswise and serve with the plums and a little of the spiced juice.

* Note: Palm sugar and other Asian ingredients are available in Chinese stores. If unavailable, use brown or regular sugar.



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- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened
- 1/4 cup heavy cream
- A pinch of salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
2. Arrange the pecans, top sides up, in the bottom of the baked crust.
3. In medium, heavy saucepan, combine egg yolks, syrup, brown sugar, butter, cream and salt. Cook over moderately low heat, stirring constantly with a heat-proof spatula and without letting the mixture boil, until it is uniform in color and just begins to thicken slightly (160°F on candy thermometer), 7 to 10 minutes. Strain at once into small bowl and stir in vanilla.
4. Slowly pour filling over pecans, coating their upper surface.
5. Place a foil ring on top of crust to prevent overbrowning; bake about 20 minutes or until filling is puffed and golden and just beginning to bubble around the edges. Filling will shimmy slightly when moved. Cool completely on a rack, about 45 minutes, before unmolding.

Golden Syrup Gingerbread

- 2-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1 tablespoon ground ginger
- 3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 8 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 cup Lyle's Golden Syrup
- 1/2 cup Lyle's Black Treacle, or molasses
- 1/2 cup dark brown sugar
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 2 large eggs, lightly beaten

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Butter and flour a 9 x 13-inch baking pan.
2. Combine flour, baking soda, ginger, cinnamon, cloves and salt in a large bowl. Blend thoroughly with wire whisk.
3. Combine butter, syrup, treacle, and dark brown sugar in a saucepan. Stir over medium-low heat just until butter is melted and ingredients are blended. Cool for 5 minutes.
4. Whisk buttermilk, then eggs into warm syrup mixture. Pour mixture into dry ingredients. Whisk until smooth. Pour batter into prepared baking pan. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted into center of gingerbread comes out clean.
5. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Yield: 12 servings

Chocolate festival coming to Long Grove

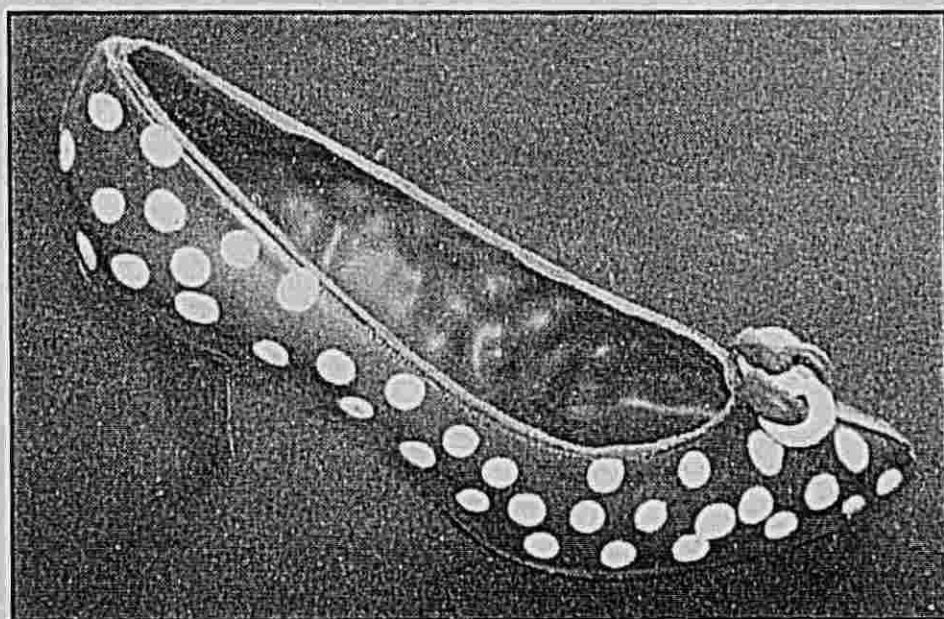


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The Seventh Annual Chocolate Festival will start May 5 in Long Grove.

What you need to know

- A free Holiday Inn Express Chocolate Shuttle will run every 10 minutes from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday from Enzo & Lucia's Restaurant on Old McHenry Road.
- Long Grove's business district is located north of the intersection of Routes 53 and 83.
- For more information, phone (847) 634-0888 or go online to www.long-groveonline.com.

LONG GROVE — The road to indulgence leads to Long Grove when the historic business district hosts the Seventh Annual Chocolate Festival from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 5, through Sunday, May 7.

Outdoor booths and restaurants will serve countless sweet treats. There will be chocolate silk pies with candy centers, fondue, chocolate dipped strawberries, chocolate mousse waffle cones, chocolate popcorn, chocolate fountains, chocolate High Tea, even chocolate pizza, and chocolate martinis.

This year marks the opening of the Chocolate Café Hideaway, a cozy, indoor spot. The café provides a multi-sensory experience with chocolate art, chocolate scented candles, and a chocolate fountain.

Admission to the café buys the "Chocoholic Plate" filled with gourmet truffles, chocolate cake, cookies, and candy. Carry out plates will also be

available.

The weekend will showcase a 250 pound chocolate American flag and eagle, hand sculpted and hand painted by Jan Wakulinski for the Long Grove Confectionery.

On Saturday, hear the story of WWII "Chocolate Pilot" Col. (Ret.) Gail Halvorsen who dropped chocolate from his plane during the Berlin Air Lift. Another festival first has Long Grove Confectionery and Jelly Belly Candy Co. passing out signature candies, committing "random acts of chocolate" throughout the weekend.

The popular Chocolate Demonstration Tent will showcase the top pastry chefs and chocolatiers of Chicagoland. The free ongoing program begins at 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Those scheduled to present their chocolate masterpieces include, Chefs John Kraus and Bob Hartwig from the French Pastry School, Chicago; Pastry

Chef Diana Moles, Eli's Cheesecake; Pastry Chef Annie Overboe, Food Columnist for the Daily Herald; Chef Karyn Hobfoll, The Cooking & Hospitality Institute of Chicago, Le Cordon Bleu Program; Chocolatier Doug Behnke, founder of Gold Coast Chocolate, Naperville; Kim Grundy, Washburne Culinary Institute Alumni Chefs; and cake stylist Mark Seaman, owner of Marked for Dessert, Chicago.

Drawings for cooking classes, dinners, and special tours donated by the chefs will benefit the Special Olympics, the designated charity of the festival.

The Kids' Chocolate Candy Fashion Show will be presented at 1 and 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, and features 20 young models dressed in fashions decorated with an estimated 120,000 pieces of chocolate and candy.

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Stray cat finds loving family

A true tale of lost and found, family gets attached to Marvin

A couple of months ago I told the story of a stray cat wandering a subdivision in Grayslake, going door to door, begging someone to let him in.

He was rail thin and desperate – a lost soul. Everyone shut their door on him and no one helped him for over two weeks.

Finally a woman called and told us about him. Over the phone line I could hear the cat crying outside her door. I couldn't stand it. I raced over and picked him up.

With nowhere to take him I brought him to the vet where he was neutered, given shots and spent the night. After some serious begging, one of our foster families, Danny and Laura, agreed to take him. The family named the cat Marvin – a name they didn't like – the rationale being they would be less likely to fall in love.

Marvin turned into a wonderful cat, friendly and easy-going. After a month I received a call from a woman who read Marvin's sad tale and wanted to adopt him. I e-mailed his foster parents and



Sandy Karmen Wisniewski

here's what Laura wrote me:

Yesterday was Danny's birthday, and while we were walking to the train station together at the end of the day, he told me that you had e-mailed to say that someone was interested in Marvin. My heart simply sank.

He then told me that his first response was 'oh,' which was

not too far removed from what I was going to say.

I think I told you how I named him this name, not because I was a fan of Marvin Gaye but because I didn't want to get attached.

Guess what? It's true what Shakespeare said in "Romeo and Juliet." A rose by any other name would smell as sweet.

Well, we are in love with this cat, and his name. He is exceptionally attached to Danny, although he seems to like me, too. He cuddles, and purrs, and loves to be held and runs to us when we walk into the house, just like [our other cats] do.

Please don't make me grovel and beg. It's not attractive. But I will if you want me to. Thank you so much!"

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Northbrook hosts shotgun weekend

By HELEN MANSFIELD

hmansfield@nwnewsgr.com

HAINESVILLE — Clay bits from a variety of skeet and other targets will litter the grounds next month at the Northbrook Sports Club in Hainesville.

The nearly 60-year-old club will host its first ever National Classic Shotgun Festival from May 19 to 21.

According to club director and shotgun enthusiast Terry Langworthy, of Libertyville, the event hopes to attract 2,000 shotgun lovers from around the country who appreciate the vintage-style variety of gun.

Langworthy said approximately 160 awards will be given out in four action-style categories including classic side-by-side, over/under, hammer and pump.

The modern-day equivalents will be included in the scheduled events as well.

Shotguns will be subcategorized by their gauge, or the size of the cartridge they shoot. Shooters can take their aim on championship sporting clays, five-stand, trap and skeet.

"It will allow people to compete equally against each other with similar equipment," Langworthy said.

The entry fee will vary depending on which event the shooter participates in. Langworthy said the cost will be \$15 for a 25-target event and up to \$95 for the sporting clay championship.



Photo provided

Shotgun enthusiasts will come from far and wide for the National Shotgun Festival from May 19 through 21 at Northbrook Sports Club in Hainesville.

Winners will be selected by a "draw" of all the participating shooters, so everyone will have a chance to win, no matter how they or their firearm performs.

The sporting clay championship winner will win a Connecticut side-by-side shotgun worth several thousand dollars, awarded by a drawing of the participants at the event.

"It's a great opportunity to see a lot of neat old guns," Langworthy said.

He said spectators are welcome to the weekend event. There will be food and firearm vendors, along with a muzzle-loading exposition, on Saturday, featuring both flintlock and percussion firearms.

A number of the finest shotgun manufacturers in the world will have booths,

If you go

Admission is \$10 a person, which includes parking. Children 18 and under are free with a parent.

All federal, Illinois and local firearms laws will be in affect. If you wish to buy a vintage shotgun, a background check and waiting period may be necessary.

For more information, call the Northbrook Sports Club at (847) 223-5700 or check out their Web site, www.northbrooksportsclub.org.

including Holland & Holland of England, Famars of Italy, and Connecticut Shotgun of the United States.

"There are few events like this in the country," Langworthy said. "Certainly nothing like it in the Midwest."

Northbrook intends for this to be an annual event.

Langworthy said Northbrook Sports Club has approximately 800 members. Some members live out of the state, but Langworthy said the majority live within 2 hours of Chicago.

Langworthy said people often join the club never having fired a shotgun before. Professional shotgun instruction is available at the club.

The annual dues are \$475 a year with a \$750 initiation fee that goes toward capital improvements for the 600-acre club.

Wine tasting helps fund Fox Lake

FOX LAKE — Fox Lake Grade School District 114's Robert Sayles Foundation will host a Tuscan wine tasting on Saturday, April 29, at the Lakes Region American Legion Hall, in Fox Lake.

The event will feature hot and cold appetizers, a chocolate fountain, and a sweets table as well as the Lakes Area Swing Band. Both silent and live auctions will take place.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and a donation of \$40 per person is required. Tickets are available at Lotus and Stanton schools in Fox Lake, or by calling (847) 587-0749.

The Robert Sayles Education Foundation supports enrichment opportunities for all students.

Feeling of awe with Vietnamese

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When things on the boat ride got quiet, lone Vietnamese soldiers would come over to me and we would talk. I was shown water stained wallet photos of loved ones and was asked questions about America by many young Vietnamese "Binh-Sis," or infantry privates. I treated each man with dignity; after all, we asked them to accomplish much dirty work for little compensation. We enjoyed each other's company. As the only American officer with these Asians, my feelings were of awe and respect, and my duty to these brave Asian troopers was the same as if these were American infantry platoon members. Like the senior sergeants on the team who had been through so much with the little people, these small soldiers became my own brothers in arms.

Tamraz finds solace with book

• VIETNAM

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"You think you are so immortal when you're a young kid and you think you're never going to get hurt," he said. "It is a dangerous game. [My men and I] joked about death, and we lived it."

Tamraz said he saw many people lose their limbs and lives before he left Vietnam in January of 1972.

"Everybody gave something," he said, "but some people gave everything. All those people blown up, and what happened?"

Letting the 'monster' loose

Tamraz's life was not the same when he returned to the United States.

He continued to serve in the military until 1981, but was tormented with survivor's guilt (something he, at times, still feels today).

Identifying the need to relay his overseas experiences, he began to write them down.

"I'd stay up until 2 in the morning," he said. "I'd [drink] some Hennessy, and I'd type on the typewriter."

It took Tamraz a few years to put his memoir together, and when it was finished, he stuffed it in a closet. Close friends and relatives had a chance to review it, but for the most part it just sat.

Fifteen years later, the "monster" was liberated. After letting a College of Lake County professor read the book, it was selected for the annually published "Willow Review," and Tamraz became eager to share his tale.

"When I was writing, I was afraid that my [butt] was hanging out," Tamraz said. "But now I don't care. I'll talk to anybody about it."

Tamraz still is working on his story, and he hopes that it eventually will be picked up by a big-time publisher.

"I want Asian people to get a look at what Americans think of them," he said. "I've got to tell their story."

Tamraz said there is one other possible title for his finished product: "Mot Lan Coi."

"It means one last look," he said.

LOCAL

Biscuits, bones, buddies

Area residents are invited to join the Gurnee Park District from 2 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 22, at Viking Park, 4374 Old Grand Ave., for the Sixth Annual Dog Egg Hunt.

Pets will have the chance to find doggie treats and receive great prizes. There will be a dog agility track, a dog costume contest, and a new dog talent show.

Snacks and beverages will be provided after the hunt. The fee of \$5 covers the cost of two participants and one dog. Each additional participant will be \$2 per person.

Call (847) 623-7788, for further information.

Summer camp

Northbrook Park District Summer Camp registration is

open to residents and nonresidents alike.

With more than 38 offerings for children and teenagers, the park district provides age-appropriate activities that enhance socialization, creativity, and skill development. Sports, theater, expressive art, nature exploration, and ice skating are just a sampling of the district's camp options.

Clinics focus on a variety of athletics including basketball, volleyball and lacrosse. Programs for juniors counselors and counselors in-training are available as well.

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Benefit and balance

Gurnee Antiques Center, 5742 Northridge Dr., in Gurnee, will co-host the second annual Benefit for I-PLUS (Independent Positive Living Under Supervision), a 12-year-old client service in North

Chicago that conducts money management by case workers for referred homeless people and veterans.

The event will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. on Sunday, April 23. There will be a live auction, appraisal of small items, and short talks on Feng Shui.

Ten percent of all sales will be donated to I-PLUS.

Call I-PLUS at (847) 689-4290, for more information.

Lunch at Langendorf

The Barrington Area Council on Aging will host its Monday lunch program at the Barrington Park District, 235 Lions Drive, in Barrington, on April 24.

Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m., and lunch is served at noon. The suggested donation is \$3; preregistration is required.

Call BACOA at (847) 381-5030, for registration or further information.

Garden start

Spring is finally in the air, and it's time to think about cultivating yards and gardens.

The Wauconda Area Library is offering a gardening series free of charge and open to the public.

"Perennials for Special Use" will take place at 7 p.m., on Tuesday, April 25. Learn how one can use perennials to make the most of their garden.

For further information, call (847) 526-6225 or stop by the Adult Services Reference Desk.

The Wauconda Area Library is located at 801 N. Main St. in Wauconda.

55 and better

Celebrate spring by joining Quentin Road's "55 and Betters" from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Thursday, April 27, in Lake Zurich.

An inspirational music and an informational session conducted by Kathy Phelon, a registered nurse and trauma coordinator at Good Shepherd Hospital, will be speaking on home and medicine safety.

Participants will receive a lunch of baked ham, rolls, mashed potatoes, and fresh salad.

Anyone 55 years and older is invited to attend this free session, which will take place at the Quentin Road Baptist Church, 60 Quentin Road, in Lake Zurich.

Kid's Night In

The registration deadline for May's "TGIF-Kid's Night In!" is Friday, April 28. This fun evening program for youngsters in grades K-3, offers parents an evening out, while Northbrook Park District staff provides age-appropriate activities, like movies, crafts, sports and group games.

Dinner is included in the \$20 fee for residents and \$25 fee for non-residents.

The program meets from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Leisure Center, 3323 Walters Ave., in Northbrook.

Call (847) 291-2980 to register or visit nbparks.org for more information.

Little detectives

Children are invited to solve a mystery on Saturday, April 29, when the First Street Playhouse and The Mystery Shop present "Children's Mystery Day."

Kids will have the chance to answer riddles, solve puzzles and decipher a coded message during this mysterious event. Two age-appropriate programs are available. The first is for ages 5 to 7 and takes place from 10 to 11 a.m. The second is for ages 8 to 11 and takes place from 1 to 3 p.m.

Both performances will be held at First Street Playhouse, 160 S. Water St., in Batavia. Tickets are \$10 per person. Call (630) 406-6367 for reservations, or register online at www.firststreetplayhouse.com.

Plant sale

This year's Gardeners of Central Lake County plant sale offers mature perennials dug from local gardens and annual flowers and vegetable plants.

The sale will take place from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 13, at the Libertyville Civic Center loading dock, 135 W. Church St. in Libertyville.

For additional information, call Susan at (847) 816-8007.

Museum day

Mundelein's Fort Hill Heritage Museum, located at 601 E. Noel Dr. in Mundelein, will have an open house for the community from 1 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, May 18, to commemorate International Museum Day. Visit the museum and share memories of days gone by. Enjoy complimentary refreshments.

Mom and me

Here's a chance to spend some quality time with the kids. The "Mom and Me: Animals Going Bananas Split Buffet" will take place from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m., on Wednesday, May 10, at the Leisure Center, 3323 Walters Ave., in Northbrook.

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The evening ends with participants making their own ice cream banana splits. Fees are \$34 for residents and \$39 for nonresidents.

For more information, call (847) 291-2985.

Spaghetti dinner

The Seventh Annual Lake County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 2066 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser will take place from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, May 12.

The event will be held at the Lake Villa VFW Memorial Post 4308, 130 E. Grand Ave., in Lake Villa.

There is a \$5 admission cost. All food and raffle proceeds will go toward supporting Explorer Post 2066 activities.

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Earth Day at the zoo

Ever wonder what people mean when they talk about Brookfield Zoo as a "conservation leader?" What better day to find out than at the zoo's Earth Day extravaganza.

On Saturday, April 22, zoo visitors will get to go behind the scenes to find out how zoo members are doing their part to protect the planet, and they will also have the chance to chat with zoo keepers about animals.

There will be music, games, and crafts for the kids, and plenty to see and do.

For more information, visit www.brookfieldzoo.org.

Fashion show

The Assisi Animal Foundation's Annual Spring Benefit Champagne Luncheon and Fashion Show will take place at

11:30 a.m., on Saturday April 22, at the Crystal Lake Country Club in Crystal Lake.

Lunch will be served at noon and will be followed by informal modeling. There will also be a raffle and table prizes.

Cost is \$25 per person. No tickets will be available at the door.

For more information, call (815) 455-9411.

Stars of the sea

The Brookfield Zoo annual black tie fundraising gala, The Whirl, will take place on April 29. This year's theme, "Stars of the Silvery Seas," highlights Atlantic bottlenose dolphins, sea lions, and harbor seals.

Cocktails begin at 6:30 p.m., and at that time guests will be able to view featured creatures in the Seven Seas Underwater Viewing gallery and Pinniped Point.

Dinner and dancing will follow. Cost is \$500 per person.

For more information, call (708) 485-0263, ext. 319.

Girl Scout Day

All Girl Scouts and their families are invited to Girl Scout Day at Brookfield Zoo on Saturday, May 6.

Attendees will have the chance to participate in the Girl Scout's service project, "Share the Care for Mithra," which focuses on helping a giraffe.

During the event, visitors will also be able to work on a various scout projects or find out more about the Zoo World Patch self-guided program.

Scouts can remember their day by purchasing a commemorative patch.

For additional information, call (630) 544-5972.

Photography club

The Shutterbugs' photography club will meet at Volo Bog State Natural Area from 7 to 9 p.m., on Wednesday, May 17.

The meeting will include a how-to workshop, guest speakers, and member competitions. Non-members are invited to at-

tend but membership is required to compete.

Please phone, (815) 344-1294 for more information, or e-mail volobog@dnrmail.state.il.us.

Jelly Belly Days

There will never be a sweeter time to volunteer for two hours. Sign up now for the 17th Annual Jelly Belly Days on Friday, May 19, and Saturday, May 20, to collect money and hand out jelly beans at various intersections and storefronts throughout the Chicago suburbs.

This gift of time will sweeten the lives of children and adults with developmental disabilities.

Individuals and organizations that would like to volunteer and/or donate, should contact Janis Edelheit at (847) 385-5008 or jedelheit@clearbrook.org.

Child care expo

The Eighth Annual Child Care Expo will take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 20, at the Chicago Hilton and Towers, 720 S. Michigan Ave., in Chicago.

The expo is themed "Keeping it Fresh: Nurturing Your Child Care Business Niche," and is built on the premise that childcare providers also are successful business owners.

Discussions will be presented in both Spanish and English.

Registration, which includes all workshops, a continental breakfast and lunch, is \$40 before May 5 and \$50 afterward.

For more information, call (312) 853-3477, ext. 29, or visit www.wbdc.org.

Crafts galore

Think spring and think craft bazaar for unique gifts.

Come to Clearbrook Plaza, 1835 W. Central Road, in Arlington Heights, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, May 26, and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 27 to check out spring creations.

For further information, call Audrey Tangonan at (847) 310-9141, ext. 222.

For women only

Enjoy a day of pampering, networking and golfing for "women only" on Monday, June 5, at the Clearbrook Fifth Annual Women's Golf Classic at Chevy Chase Country Club in Wheeling.

The \$250-per-player fee includes mimosas, continental breakfast, clinics, golf carts, lunch, massages, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, a dinner buffet, and live and silent auctions.

New this year is the "Player Passport," which entitles golfers to participate in all hole contests (purchase before the event to get the early bird rate of just \$50). Someone could drive home in a 2006 Hummer H3 for making a hole in one.

Proceeds help create opportunities for children and adults with disabilities.

To learn more about this golf event, contact Laura Warren at (847) 385-5044 or e-mail at warren@clearbrook.org.

Italian pageant

This year's Columbus Day Queen Pageant will take place on Friday, July 14, at Porretta's Banquet Hall in Chicago.

Contestants must be single young ladies of Italian heritage, between the age of 18 and 23, who reside in Chicago's metropolitan area.

There is no entry fee for this pageant. Entry forms can be obtained by calling the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans, at (708) 450-9050.

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Strawberry festival

Celebrate the most luscious fruit of the season during the 21st Annual Strawberry Festival in Cedarburg, Wis., on Saturday, June 24, and Sunday, June 25.

This two-day festival features strawberry shortcake, strawberry pie, strawberry crepes, strawberry slush, strawberry schaum torte, chocolate-covered strawberries and strawberry ice cream.

Bluegrass and rock and roll music will be played throughout

both days, and at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday the Ozaukee Humane Society will conduct a Pet Talent Show.

Contests will include strawberry shortcake eating, strawberry bubblegum blowing and the "Berry Bob." New this year, Cedarburg Coffee Roasters will present the Barista Olympics, featuring the Tower of Cappuccino Competition, Speedy Barista and the Latte Art Exhibition.

Children will have the chance to watch magic, paint a mural and enjoy carnival rides.

For more information call, (262) 377-9620 or visit www.cedarburgfestivals.org.

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Free trees

Ten free shade trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during April.

The trees include Red Oak, Sugar Maple, Weeping Willow, Green Ash, Thornless, Honeylocust, Pin Oak, River Birch, Tuliptree, Silver Maple, and Red Maple.

The trees will be shipped post-paid in April or May, with enclosed planting instructions. The six to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

To receive trees, send a \$10 contribution to: Free Shade Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE, 68410; or order them at www.arborday.org.

Lawn talk

NASCAR veteran Michael Waltrip will be cutting the lawn of one lucky fan.

The Yard-Man "Honey, Is That Michael Waltrip Mowing Our Lawn?" sweepstakes will put Waltrip's lawn-cutting skills to the test and will award one person a garage full of supplies and lawn maintenance equipment.

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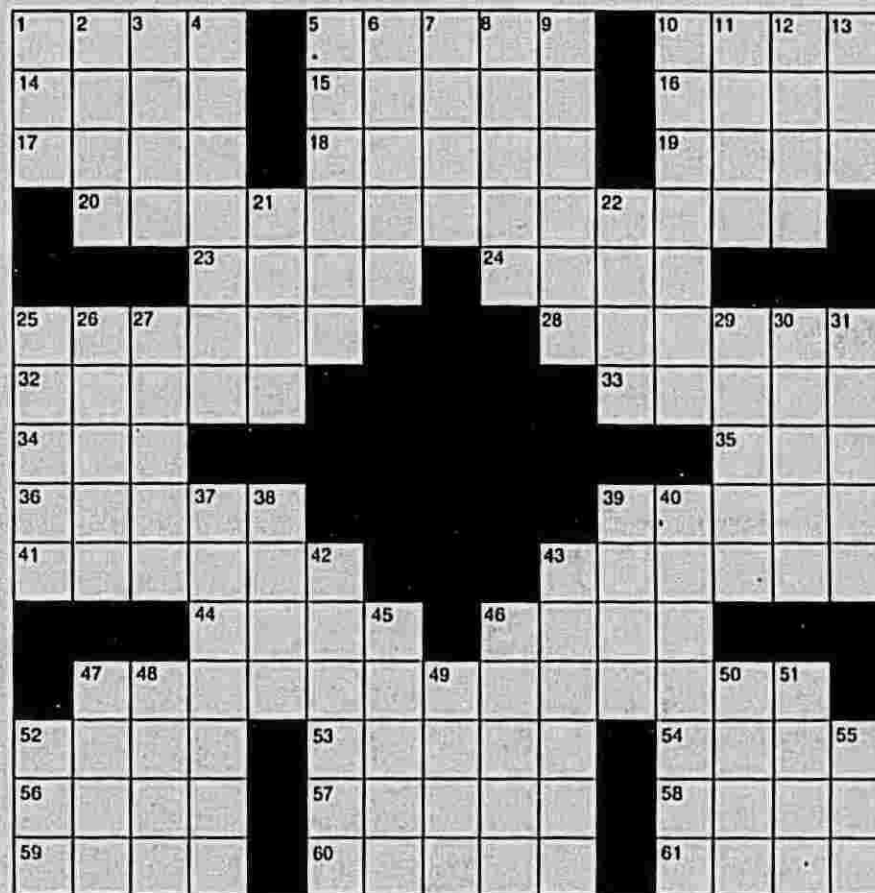


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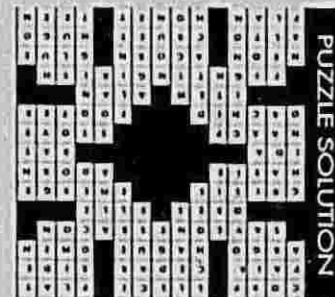


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18. Dutch city
19. Divination
20. Preserve your job (3 words)
23. Minerals
24. Fashion magazine
25. Type of management
28. Come out
32. Swiftiness
33. Embellish
34. Potato state (abbr.)
35. Sports implement
36. Civil Rights group
39. Kitchen appliance
41. Light purple
43. Framing base
44. An individual unit
46. ____ Ladd, actor
47. Notre Dame team
52. Sign element
53. Fruit of the oak tree
54. Adhesive substance
56. Lowest female singing voice
57. Holds liquids for the table
58. Poet Victor
59. Scale drawing of a structure
60. Sweet nickname
61. 13-19

DOWN

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12. Arabian Gulf
13. Hanking
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25. Fabric used for uniforms
26. Transmitting locator
27. Sir ____ Newton
29. Automaton
30. Cemetary plot
31. Gain admission
37. Hair bun
38. Plant stem core tissue
39. Glider ascent
40. This evening
42. Disconnect
43. Hard and brittle
45. On a small scale
46. Concede
47. Tripped and ____
48. 9th Greek letter
49. Content word
50. Large amount of lumber
51. Enormous
52. Short sleep
55. Two or more eras



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As mumps cases in Illinois rise, director encourages vaccination and education.

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Little girl attracts big hearts

By KATHY GRESEY
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LIBERTYVILLE—Three-year-old Ella Marsden will steal your heart.

She may do it with her sparkling blue eyes, gorgeous smile and engaging personality or by sharing her play cookies, stickers and toys.

She's bound to do it somehow, and she won't even know it. If it's not by doing any of the things a healthy, smiling toddler her age will do, it will be because this tiny girl has Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis and she is not letting it get in her way.



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Meet the Marsdens

On Thanksgiving weekend 2004, Dave and Kristin Marsden put winter boots on their daughter Ella for the first time.

Very active for her age, 20-month-old Ella was ready for a night out, when she did something she had never done before. She began limping on her left foot.

Dave and Kristin thought Ella's boots were too tight, but they were wrong. Four months later they learned

Kristin Marsden shares a moment with her 3-year old daughter Ella in their Libertyville home. Ella was diagnosed with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis when she was 20-months-old.

their daughter had Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis. Now Ella is on medication and "doing beautifully."

"At her worst point, she could not rotate her ankle," said her mother. "The number-one thing is she never complains."

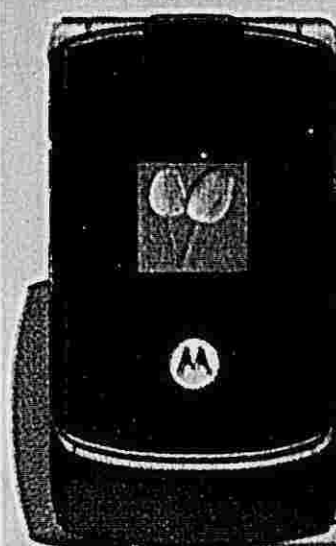
The walk

Since Ella's diagnosis, the

Marsdens have gotten actively involved in the Chicago Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation.

At 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 29, their family and friends will be walking in the 2006 Lake County Arthritis Walk at the Old School Forest Preserve in Libertyville.

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U.S. - Mexico border presents barriers of all kinds

Local case illuminates international kidnapping policy and procedure

By EMILY PREVITI

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Teenagers adhere to their curfew, or at least they try. Not because they want to walk in the door before midnight. But because breaking it will mean social isolation, at least for a weekend. And that, to most teens, is unbearable.

This mindset indicates the degree to which young people invests themselves in their lives: school, friends, a job, etc. Perhaps it also explains why, 10 years after she was abducted, a 16-year-old girl chose to stay in Mexico rather than return to the United States.

David Alarcon, city administrator of Park City, recovered three children who had been parentally abducted and taken to Mexico during his law enforcement career through collaborations with the police departments in Park City,

What it means

Approximately 40 percent of kidnapping cases handled by NCMEC involve the abductor crossing United States/Mexico border.

Evanston, and Liberal, Kan.

The father of the aforementioned young girl took her from Evanston in 1992, said Alarcon, who helped to find her in 2002.

"She had a good life, she lived in a good neighborhood, she went to one of the best universities," he said of her decision to stay. She did, however, reestablish contact with her mother.

Not all cases end this way.

Unresolved local case

Last month, Oscar Rabadan abducted two of his children from Gurnee, where they lived with their mother, his ex-girlfriend.

Rabadan, 34, of Wheeling, has been charged with two counts of child abduction, a class four felony.

Bond on the warrant was set at \$500,000.

Rabadan traveled south with the children and, according to Deputy Chief Kevin Woodside, of the Gurnee Police Department, there are unconfirmed reports that he successfully crossed the border into Mexico and is staying with relatives.

Oname Thompson, of National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's (NCMEC) communications department, said that the Rabadan case did come up in the center's system, but could not say anything else, citing "congressional mandates."

About five percent of children who are paternally internationally kidnapped are recovered, Alarcon said.

He added that, in his experience, recovery hinged upon convincing the taking parent to "do the right thing" and turn over the children.

Alarcon said that abductions come under the jurisdiction of the FBI and U.S. Department of State once state and international lines, respectively, are crossed. But negotiations at the local level, he said, were key to resolving the cases.

Procedure

According to Roger Maier, Sr., spokesman for the United States Customs and Border Protection's service port in El Paso, Tex., authorities at legal ports of entry along the U.S.-Mexico border run crossers' names into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). If local agencies have reported a criminal's name to the database, border authorities can detain that person.

"Our principal effort is [against] terror," Maier said. "But through our inspections we uncover other things, [including] fugitives."

He said authorities encounter 25 fugitives per week at the El Paso port.

Maier could not say whether Rabadan's name appeared in the NCIC database.

The Gurnee police did not return calls for comment on this matter.

Julia Allenen, director of the international division of the NCMEC, said locating the children in Mexico presents "the first challenge" to authorities.

She also mentioned the am-bado appeal, in which the "taking" parent (abducting parent) can claim a human rights violation under the Mexican Constitution, and halt the Hague [Convention] proceedings.

The Hague Conference on Private International Law, a 76-member intergovernmental organization, works to unify rules of private international law. To do so, the conference establishes contractual agreements, or conventions.

The Hague Convention on Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction governs international abduction cases between signatories.

NCMEC works in conjunction with the U.S. Department of State to fulfill its responsibil-

ities under this convention.

The State Department considers Mexico, "not fully compliant" with the convention. Mexico has "systematic problems" with its procedures regarding international abduction cases, states the State Department's Web site.

Mexico's lack of legal infrastructure and slow proceedings, in particular, serve as qualifiers.

The State Department clarifies, however, that "Mexico ... has shown impressive efforts to better meet its Convention responsibilities."

Barriers: language and beyond Georgia Vasquez, prevention specialist at Lake County Council Against Sexual Assault (LaCASA), identified the barriers to immigrants to United States, when it comes to seeking the help of authorities.

"Language is definitely one," she said.

The language divide isolates individuals from information; hence, misunderstanding or unawareness of law, and intimidation of officials, also present obstacles to assistance for non-English speaking individuals who have been victims of crimes.

The close-knit climate of the Hispanic community compounds the language barrier, handicapping individuals' network in the mainstream culture in the United States, Vasquez said.

The strong loyalty within families, in particular, discourages victims of sexual assault or domestic violence from seeking help when a family member has committed the offense.

"It [tends to be] swept under the rug," she said.

Vasquez said an individual who turns to law enforcement for assistance in such a matter is considered "dishonorable" to one's family and "against the grain of [Hispanic] culture."

Citizenship status

Finally, those whose documentation is not "taken care of," whether the individual resides here illegally, or is "in the process" of obtaining legal citizenship, may not turn to authorities for fear of deportation, Vasquez said.

Detective Commander Jim Caldwell, of the Gurnee Police Department, said citizenship status "has no bearing" on in-

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Our View

Culture of corruption

Illinois might have a history of government corruption, but courts can hold it in check.

When the jury convicted former Gov. George Ryan on Monday of racketeering, fraud and other charges, justice finally was served.

No one is above the law. Not even the governor.

Ryan is the fourth Illinois governor in 40 years to be indicted. Two served time in prison.

After 10 days of deliberations, jurors found Ryan guilty on all 22 counts brought against him by U.S. Attorney Patrick Fitzgerald. Ryan co-defendant Larry Warner also was convicted on all counts filed against him.

Ryan is the central player in this latest episode of corruption. But more so, it is about state government and how things operate. The verdict is an assault on pay-for-play politics.

Ryan is part of the problem, not the problem. Corruption in state government is institutional.

People in Illinois might joke about crooked politics, but what does it take to wake them up to this perversion of democracy?

A federal investigation forced Ryan to step aside rather than run for re-election in 2002. That set the stage for Rod Blagojevich, the first Democratic governor in 25 years.

The previous Democratic governor was Dan Walker. Ten years after losing re-election to Jim Thompson, Walker was convicted of bank fraud and perjury. He served 171/2 months in federal prison.

A state auditor, attorney general, state treasurer, and seven sitting or former state representatives have been convicted of a wide range of corruption charges in the past 50 years.

Dubbed Operation Safe Road, Fitzgerald investigated the most widespread case of corruption in state history. It has taken eight years to get to this point.

Before Ryan's trial, 79 state officials, lobbyists and truckers were charged in the investigation. Prosecutors have won convictions against 74 people. No one has been acquitted.

Ryan served two terms as secretary of state before being elected governor in 1998. Operation Safe Road focused on his tenure as secretary of state.

Operation Safe Road was Fitzgerald's project. But the Ryan case was prosecuted tenaciously by Assistant U.S. Attorney Patrick Collins, the trial lawyer. U.S. District Judge Rebecca Pallmeyer was rock solid in presiding over a most difficult case. She kept it together even through problems with the jury, dropping two jurors and restarting deliberations.

Ryan, 72, is guilty of felonies that carry 20-year prison terms. Sentencing is scheduled for Aug. 4, and Pallmeyer will have to take his age into account when sending him to prison.

Ryan refuses to take responsibility for his actions. And he knows that appeals could take years.

But for justice to be served, Ryan needs to wait them out in a federal prison with common crooks.

Ryan is just another crooked politician who continues to insult the intelligence of the people of Illinois.

Institutional corruption is intolerable, but the state appears incapable of cleaning it up. We can only thank the likes of Fitzgerald and Collins for stepping up.

But Illinois should not need federal baby sitters to do it.

Sketch View



Seeing It Through

Seeing it through

Who is minding the store at the sheriff's office

I am writing this column shortly after Undersheriff Gary Stryker and Lake County Central Services Director Joni Young resigned from their positions. According to reports from Sheriff Gary Del Re and county Administrator Barry Burton, they resigned voluntarily after abuses of county credit card and purchasing policies were uncovered. Although no charges were leveled at the time, the allegations stem from an almost three year joint investigation of Sheriff Del Re's office by Attorney General Lisa Madigan and State's Attorney Mike Waller. Stryker's departure was announced as a voluntary retirement because his service both with the sheriffs office and the Deerfield Police

Department gave him enough years to qualify for retirement.



John S. Matijevich

Whatever they call it, voluntary or not, Stryker's departure comes "under a cloud." For one thing, it comes before the

joint investigation has concluded it's probe, and there is still the possibility that criminal charges could be filed.

I won't go into all of the details of the allegations that have been reported but the thrust of them are that Stryker used his county credit

card for personal expenses at county seminars and meetings and Young authorized certain purchases by Stryker without following county purchasing policy guidelines.

This all started way back in 2003 when Michael Horowitz, a fired corrections officer, leveled a list of allegations against Del Re. At the time, the sheriff responded that it was all politics and the rantings of a "disgruntled employee." Haven't we heard that song before?

Since the allegations of misconduct were so numerous, a lengthy investigation began. Even so, most political observers thought nothing would come of it.

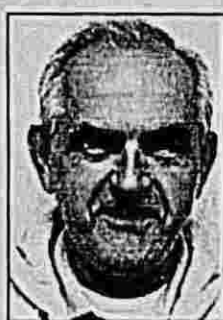
In my mind, two key things happened that made this case something different. First, the involvement of the attorney general's office in the probe removed the possibility that the investigation would be

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—● **Snapshot**

Your thoughts on this week's hot topic

"What is your reaction to the guilty verdict in the George Ryan trial?"



"I think he deserves it if he did the things I read about. I think a whole lot more politicians will follow in his lead."

Tom Frick, Sr.
Grayslake



"I think it will be sad if he appeals and we have to spend more taxpayer money."

Toni Levy
Lindenhurst



"That made my day. He was absolutely guilty."

Sue Schmidt
Round Lake Beach



"I don't know much about it; I've been away at college."

Solomon David
Round Lake Beach

—● **Partylines**

This column of political notes is prepared from staff reports.

Dam looks back as GOP term comes to a close

Former Fox Lake Mayor **William Dam** saw much good coming from his four years of service as the Republican State Central Committeeman.

Dam served for four years, but did not seek re-election this week at the Lake County GOP Convention. Dam is currently a Fox Lake doctor.

"I did it out of a sense of dedication and passion for the principles that Abraham Lincoln helped make the GOP party great, freedom, opportunity, lower taxes, less government and a strong national defense," Dam said of his term as committeeman.

Seeking to replace him are expected candidates **Norm Hill** of Grayslake, State Rep. **Ed Sullivan Jr.** of Mundelein and Barrington Township Supervisor **Jean Dawson**.

Dam succeeded **Robert Neal** of Wadsworth four years ago. He also served as board chairman for the Fox Waterway Agency.

"The Eighth Congressional District had eight percent of the vote at the time, and that can swing some elections," Dam said.

Dam has met such national leaders as Speaker of the House **Dennis Hastert**, R-Illinois, several times, in Washington D.C. and New York City. He described the work that he has done for the Republican Party as "exhilarating."

Also to be decided is the GOP county chairmanship. **Tom Gooch**, Cuba Township highway commissioner, is running against **Dan Venturi**, Lake Villa Township supervisor. **JoAnn Osmond**, R-Antioch, is not seeking re-election.

The convention comes at a time when reaction to the conviction of former Illinois Gov. **George Ryan** continues to build.

"It will be an extra burden

for the GOP to bear, as people will make that association," Dam said. "But GOP Governor Candidate **Judy Barr Topinka** has run a clean treasurer's office and she does not play the play-to-pay game. It may be a wash, because the focus will be on the Daley-Madigan and Blagojevich machine. There is a good chance that the pendulum will swing."

Coffer talk

With the Republican Party struggling to maintain control of Congress in November, two local races have captured nationwide attention. While Democrat **Tammy Duckworth** and US Rep. **Peter Roskam** duke it out in the 6th Congressional District, freshman Democrat Representative **Melissa Bean** and **David McSweeney** are in the process of filling their war chests to battle for the 8th Congressional District seat. It is expected to be one of the most critical and expensive races in the fall.

Despite recent campaign disclosure reports which show Rep. Bean holds \$1.75 million in cash as of March 31 compared to McSweeney's \$147,000, there is every expectation that the cavalry, in the form of political elite from Washington, will ride into the Chicagoland area soon to boost Republican candidates. Vice President **Dick Cheney** is expected to make an appearance in the next few months to help Republican candidates, notably McSweeney, fill their coffers for the fight ahead.

Statewide offices are in the spotlight also. Even after the blustery comment that President Bush, with his declining approval ratings, would be welcome to come to town "late at night...in an undisclosed location" to raise funds, Judy Barr Topinka's campaign has said a gracious **President Bush**

will be in town soon to raise money for her gubernatorial bid against **Gov. Rod Blagojevich**.

Speech to address year's progress

Antioch Mayor **Dorothy Larson** said she plans to speak on the village's progress in the past year during her State of Antioch address.

Larson will not be the only one to address the audience at noon April 26 at Double Eagle Sports Club, 955 Route 59 in Antioch. **Claude LeMere**, director of community services and special events, will give an update of the Lake Street project, and other officials will speak.

Larson said the village has tackled much in the past year.

"It's incredible what [we] have accomplished," Larson said.

Six times a charm

If three's the lucky number, then Gurnee's potential financial plan for fiscal year 2006-2007 is doubly blessed.

The village board of trustees held its sixth and final budget hearing on Monday night at the village hall. They had planned for five sessions, but required more time to hash out details of the \$45.3 million budget.

Initially, trustees examined two options for narrowing the predicted \$1.5 million gap between expenditures and revenues, but a third option, new that night, was sent to staff to prepare a motion and budget for April 24, when the board will vote to approve it, or not.

Trustees squabbled over ideas that attempted to address calls for creativity, but Gurnee Mayor **Kristina Kovarik** reminded them that the fiscal year would start on May 1.

"I don't like any of [the budget options] either, but I

have to vote for one," she said. "The village can't just shut down."

Feedback from citizens on this and other matters varied: requests for clarification, expressions of support, and verbal lashing.

The latter involved complaints about village finances as well as parking in McDonald's and Sam's Club lots, sidewalk sales at Sears, and unkempt homes and yards in the eastern part of the village.

"I get more response from my grandchildren," one villager said of the village's attempts to address the disorderly properties.



William Dam
Won't see re-election as GOP Committeeman



Dorothy Larson
Preparing State of Antioch address

Attendance lacking

Village Board President **Ted Mueller** of Hainesville has been disappointed by the lack resident turnout at the recent village board meetings.

During the mayor's comments, Mueller told fellow board members that the village hall had seen a good crowd turn out in March, when the Union Square Townhome Association held their meeting there.

"They had five open positions [on the board] and there were six candidates," he said. "They are a great group and they really care about the community."

Carmel is 'Catholic School for Tomorrow'

Carmel Catholic High School is one of just 12 schools in the entire country to be honored with a 2006 Catholic School For Tomorrow Award for Innovations in Education.

Judges recognized Carmel's ministry program in the category, "Innovative Projects in Promoting Catholic Identity." The program requires students to complete 20 hours of ministry work off-campus each semester. Judges also took into account the school's retreats and liturgies.

The school was also recognized for a leadership role in helping promote the importance of Catholic identity in Catholic

secondary education schools. The school's principal, Fr. Robert C. Carroll, was the keynote speaker at a three-day colloquium. He discussed improved ways to bring the Catholic religion into academics.

"Our Catholic Identity Project is an adventuresome and meaningful undertaking. We believe integrating Catholic thinking into every aspect of the school will make the educational experience even more meaningful for our students," Carroll said in a statement.

The award is from "Today's Catholic Teacher." It was presented at a banquet in Atlanta on April 20.

—● Letters to the Editor Volunteering Matters

During National Volunteer Week, April 23-29, United Way of Lake County wants to take the opportunity to recognize and celebrate volunteer efforts throughout our community. Volunteers contribute their time to every not-for-profit organization you can imagine every day of the year, and because of them, Lake County continues to become a better place to work and live. If "volunteer" is one of the hats that you wear, we salute you! Your volunteering matters!

United Way of Lake County saw the power of volunteering in a single day last Aug. 18, at our annual Day of Caring. With nearly 600 volunteers from 40 organizations offering their time and resources at 43 project sites, thousands of lives were changed. From reading with children to organizing book collections to major face-lifts for schools, the 2005 Day of Caring: Focus on Education was a huge success. If that much can be accomplished in a single day, just imagine how

much more can be accomplished in a whole year!

If you don't volunteer and would like to, visit our United Way of Lake County web site at www.uwlakeco.org. You'll find a searchable database that offers year-round volunteer opportunities tailored to your specific interests.

Through volunteering, you will discover that you, too, can make a difference.

Lynn Tracy
Community Resource Specialist
United Way of Lake County

Health and fitness topics of interest

Hello, Lakeland Journal readers. My name is Linda DeFever.

I have lived in Wauconda for three years. Before starting in the health and fitness industry, I spent 20 years in retail as an executive. In 1996, I left the corporate arena.

I have been a certified personal trainer since 1997 by the American Council on Exercise as a personal trainer. An exercise specialist and a nutrition and lifestyle coach. I am deeply com-

mitted to furthering my own education in exercise and nutrition to the highest levels.

In May 2005, I became Vitality Inc., Where Exercise and Nutrition Meeting Balance. I have a strength-training studio in downtown Wauconda.

I am the founder and leader of the Weston A. Price Foundation of Wauconda. My commitment to bringing sound nutritional information and quality foods to my clients as well as my community is a driving passion in my life.

I enjoy coaching my clients, using individualized action steps that make a long-term difference in their health and fitness levels. It is an honor for me to be part of their journey.

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build their programs.

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It is my sincere wish to bring to the readers of the Lakeland Journal a health and fitness column that will address topics that you want to read about.

Please e-mail me with your questions at ocfeve01@yahoo.com. I look forward to your questions.

Linda DeFever
Wauconda

Why has this happened?

How has it come to be that our country has 12 million illegal aliens living here?

I am unable to comprehend why our elected officials have been either unwilling and/or unable to stop the flood of illegals that are breaking our laws by coming into our country illegally.

The illegals protest in the streets of our cities "demanding" American citizenship.

The politicians pander to the illegals for fear of losing the Hispanic vote.

The clergy have inserted themselves into the politics of this issue. Whatever happened to the separation of church and state?

The illegals tell us how hard they work and that they do jobs American will not do.

The illegals also neglect to mention their drain on Social Services and the cost to educate their children.

Suddenly it's clear—the inmates are in charge of the institution.

Dorothy Connors
Libertyville

Political indifferences

I am totally disgusted with the politics and voters of Lake County. They had a chance to correct the existing corruption in the sheriff's office, reverse a record of wasted tax dollars and make a positive political start in the right direction...but they blew it. The existing Democratic leadership, for reasons of pride and power, chose to back a simple puppet in Mark Curran instead of an independent thinker, who refused to play their political games and make their back room deals. That man was Lawrence Oliver. Mr. Oliver ran a completely clean and honest campaign against both the Democratic power brokers and

the Republican fat cats.

Unfortunately, it was too high a hill to climb. Too many obstacles were thrown in his path by both opponents. The voters of Lake County, due to their complete indifference and lack of political involvement, will now get exactly what they deserve. Mr. Curran will be sacrificed to and eaten alive by the already proven corrupt Sheriff, Gary Del Re. Lake County residents can then look forward to at least four more years of low morale under the sheriff's dictatorship as well as more lawsuits against the department that wastes our tax dollars as if they were handed out like toilet paper. People of Lake County, you blew the only real chance you had to start a significant political change. Until enough of you are willing to stand up and work and vote for men like Mr. Oliver, Lake County politics will go on as it has. I sincerely hope you are quite satisfied with yourselves.

Jack Horowitz
Libertyville

Thanks to senator

I know better than anyone that I could never fill Sen. Adeline Geokaris shoes, but I want to thank the Republican voters of northern Lake County for their expression of confidence that I can follow her path and lead our region toward solutions to problems that concern us.

Thank you, Senator, for your gracious words of encouragement, your service and leadership over your decades in the Legislature and your friendship over the year I've known you.

Geo has an unmatched wisdom from which I hope to continue to benefit, whether or not I am blessed with the opportunity to go on and serve in the senate next year.

I also want to congratulate and thank your County Clerk Willard Helander, her staff and especially the election judges who worked so long and diligently to conduct balloting and this year's first-ever early voting.

Just compare Lake County's performance in counting and posting the final vote to any of our neighbors. The skill and professionalism with which they did their jobs was unsurpassed.

Sue Simpson
Republican candidate for Senate, 31st District
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Off and running

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Budget backup

Now that the March primary is over it's been quiet all our favorite legislators have been down in Springfield, hard at work trying to pass laws that will make life in Illinois a little more idyllic.

Pretty soon it's possible high school dropouts could lose their driver's licenses, homes might be required to have carbon monoxide detectors, prostitutes could have the right sue their pimps or customers if they feel they're being mistreated, cigarettes would have to be low-ignition so people don't set their houses on fire, and smoking bans would be OK'd in a variety of places.

Between the furor over whether unhealthy snacks should be available to school children, or whether the greater harm comes from their high fat, high salt cafeteria lunches, and the decision to extend tax breaks to employers who hire former convicts and veterans of the military sits the great big elephant: the budget. All \$55 billion dollars worth.

Judy Barr Topinka has taken the opportunity to triumphantly declare Gov. Blagojevich's Chicago residency and campaign schedule to blame for the delay. The fact that G-Rod is pushing for \$1 billion in new spending on pet projects such as universal preschool and college scholarships for good students has made this budget highly controversial, and it warrants extended discussion.

Still, shutting the Republican Party out of the conversation and creating a climate where State Senate

President Emil Jones (D-Chicago) can coolly announce, "If we can get it done next week or the following week,



Esther J. Cepeda

has been in overtime since April 7, which translates to \$21,000 a day in legislator per diems.

By the time you read this, we might well be up to \$210,000. As usual, G-Rod's critics can never top the maestro himself.

"It doesn't matter when you get it done, it's how you get it done," Blagojevich said. "Whether it's this week, next week, a couple of weeks from now or even a couple of months from now, judge us by the end result."

Indeed we will, Gov, indeed we will.

Double trouble

Speaking of budgets, the Lake County Board is currently in the process of setting salaries for upcoming new terms. On the table is a proposal to give each commissioner a \$500 dollar a year raise and double the Forest Preserve District board president's salary. Double!

Wow! That Bonnie Thompson Carter is just going to rake it in now- she's going to be rolling in the bucks with the nearly shameless gratuity. Why, she'll need a wheelbarrow to drag all that green to her car

we'll do it, but there is no urgent need to rush and get it done," seems like quite the lack of election-year diplomacy.

The General Assembly

every week.

She'd be making a whole \$25,000 from the Forest Preserve! Add that to the jaw-dropping \$35,000 she earns for her work on the Lake County board and she'll be up to \$60,000 per year! At that rate, with the number of hours she puts in on all the board meetings for all the committees she works on, she might actually break the minimum wage.

Immigration issue update

I knew it wouldn't take long for the protests to go from being an act of dignified conscientious objection to everything from an annoyance to a golden opportunity - depending on how you look at it.

The good folks at the Miller Brewing Company recently took out half-page ads in major newspapers to make certain we all know that they, champions of human rights, are in full support of the Latino community's interests in this debate.

I'm sure Hispanics everywhere will proudly alter their alcohol consumption habits to support their noble cause.

And, to Waukegan Mayor Richard Hyde, who vocalized his displeasure on a Lake County radio show at the 150 Waukegan students who skipped school on a warm spring Thursday before a long Easter weekend to march around the city in support of immigrant rights, perhaps he overstated his case.

He said he'd "hurt" protesters who allegedly disrespected, the American flag. I say: Rich- this too shall pass. Relax, unwind, and have yourself a Budweiser.

work," she said. "Our goal is to get the word out that this can happen to anybody, not just old people."

Ella is an honoree at this year's walk, and "Team Ella" hopes to raise \$5,000 during the event.

"We'll never know why God has chosen to send our family down this path," states a Marsden family flyer promot-

ing the walk. "However, we do know that God has not sent us down this path alone. With the help of family, friends, our doctors and organizations, Ella will endure, and even thrive."

To register to walk with Team Ella or to make a donation, visit www.arthritiswalk-lakecounty.kintera.org.

For more information, call (312) 372-2080, Ext. 24.

Panel to consider revised anchor ban

By BRENDA BALIN
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FOX LAKE - An ordinance banning anchoring "within 100 feet of any pier, lift or other boat launching structure" approved by the Fox Waterway Agency on March 23 has been rescinded, and a new one proposed.

The original ordinance was prompted by a petition signed by 25 members of the Sunset Park and Buena Park homeowners' associations requesting a ban on anchoring within 225 feet of residents' piers. The petition was denied, and the 100-foot limit, to be applied chain wide, was approved instead.

An audience member at the March 23 meeting said the ordinance was not legal, as the municipalities bordering the affected areas had not been given 21 days advance notice, in accordance with the agency's code.

"What we did was wrong," said Agency Chairman Howard "Bud" Scott, as he reopened the question Thursday at agency headquarters in Fox Lake. Rather than ratify the previous version, the board of directors started over, reconsidering details of the proposed ordinance and making adjustments to it.

In the latest version, the ban on anchoring would apply to the entire Chain O' Lakes, with the exception of channels, creeks and tributaries, such as the Fox River.

Although no distance limit would be imposed, the ordinance would make blocking access to or from any residential or commercial pier, lift or other boat launching structure punishable by a \$100 fine for a first offense and \$250 for subsequent offenses.

All municipalities affected will be notified either by certified mail or by hand delivery Monday to allow the required 21-day minimum before passing the ordinance. At that time, the proposed ordinance will be available for inspection by the public.

The board will vote on the measure at the regular meet-

ing May 25, at the agency's headquarters. Between now and then, the board will receive comments.

Although a public hearing was held regarding the original petition, no hearing is required for the board to pass an ordinance. However, if any municipality objects to the ordinance as drafted, the board must have a two-thirds majority vote for ratification.

Several members of the board said they did not favor an ordinance with day and time limitations.

"Is it OK to block access on Monday, but not on Sunday?" Agency Director Wayne Blake said. He also addressed a question of whether it was considered "blocked access" if the affected resident was not at home.

"What if [the resident] is in his boat and he comes home and can't get access?" he asked. "It's illegal to speed, but you only get a ticket if you get caught."

Penalties were debated. A motion made by Director Bill Brookman set fines at \$100 for a first offense, \$250 for a second, and removal of boating rights for the season for a third. The board reconsidered, and eliminated, the suspension of boating privileges from the draft.

Lt. Bruce Scottsberg, commander of the Lake County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit, said he thought the fines were disproportionate.

"The fine for speeding is \$75," he said. Scottsberg said he did not see any need for the ordinance.

"How can they say this is such a problem when we had only one complaint from one person over one season," he said, noting the complainant had other encounters with intrusive boaters, but had not reported them to the authorities.

At the meeting, he said anyone with any problem should call his unit at 847-587-4470.

"If they get the identification number, or even a description of the boat or the boater, we can mail the citation to the offender, even if they leave before we arrive," he said.

'Team Ella'

• GIRL

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Kristin said that there have been a number of people who have gone above and beyond in supporting her family.

"We have a tremendous net-

Taken by force

• BORDER

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vestigation. The border crossing, however, prevents local agencies from physically pursuing the case, Caldwell said.

Gail Montenegro, of the Chicago office of U.S. Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, confirmed that citizenship status does not change the procedures in investigation, recovery and prosecution of such cases.

Montenegro said the priorities of USCIS are "arresting and deporting criminal aliens." The citizenship of the kidnapper would not come into play until after the resolution of the case and after he or she had served his or her sentence, according to Montenegro, whereupon he or she would become eligible for deportation.

Allenen recognized that such fears pervade populations of undocumented immigrants.

She added that NCMEC is not "in the business" of deportation, but complications do arise.

"Neither NCMEC, nor the state department, nor the State's Attorney is going to assist someone entering unlawfully," Allenen said.

Allenen said "immigration remedies" are available to undocumented citizens involved in such cases on a "case-by-case basis."

Children become a weapon

"Parental abduction is a very effective tool against a victim parent when that victim parent is seeking help from authorities or going to the police or [has] left him," Allenen said.

Violent incidents peppered the relationship between Rabadan and DeLeon, who often feared for her safety and that of her three children.

Vasquez pointed to kidnapping, much like rape or domestic violence, as a demonstration of power and control on the part of the perpetrator, and vulnerability on the part of the victim.

"[They're] taking by force what they want," she said.

Abduction: danger signs

Julia Allenen, director of the international division of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, suggested a proactive approach to abduction prevention.

"You don't have to wait until it happens," she said. "If you believe that your child's parent might take your kids, you need to call us and let us help you."

Beware, according to NCMEC, if a child's parent has:

- Previously abducted a child.
- Threatened to abduct the child.
- Weak, or no, ties to the child's home state.

• Friends or family, or a strong support network, elsewhere.

• No job, financial independence, or professional flexibility.

• Engaged in planning activities such as quitting a job, selling a home, terminating a lease, closing a bank account, liquidating other assets, hiding or destroying documents, applying for a passport, birth certificates, school or medical records, or undergoing plastic surgery.

Call NCMEC at (800) THE LOST, or go to www.missingkids.com

Expert offers bird presentation

On May 1, at 7:30 pm, Lake County Audubon Society will present Dr. David Willard, collections manager at the Field Museum, with a one hour program on hummingbirds.

The meeting will take place at the Libertyville Village Hall, 118 W. Cook Street. Willard will bring valuable specimens from the museum's collection to help identify the birds that many hope to tempt

into their yards.

Willard said he plans to cover the basic biology of hummingbirds and, in addition, will go into detail on the species that occur north of Mexico, touching on some of the more extravagant species from South America as well.

Willard has been collection manager of the bird division at Field Museum for the last 28 years. His research focuses on

community structure and migration of birds, both on a local scale, nationally, and internationally.

Locally, he has gathered a large database of spring and fall migrants from along the Chicago waterfront.

Both adults and children are welcome to attend this free program. For further information, call Marje Glacking at (847) 362-0472.

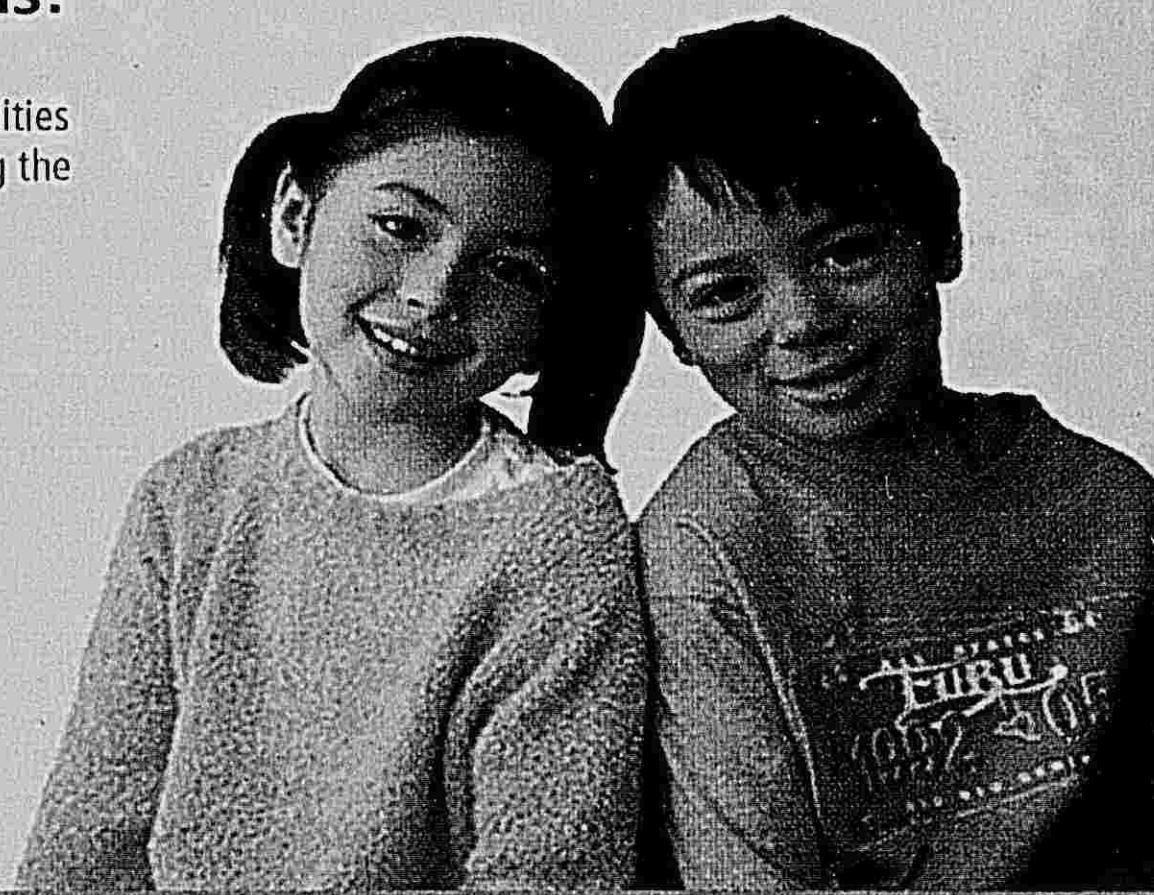
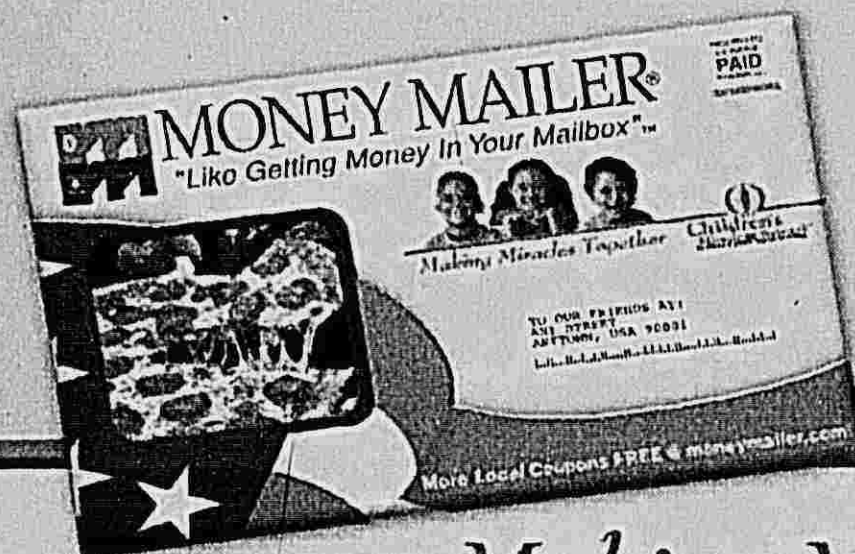
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Trout fishing season begins, despite late start

By STEVE PETERSON

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Although a week later than originally planned, trout fishing season is underway at Lakewood Forest Preserve's Banana Lake.

The first were released on April 7, said Jennifer Filipiak, wildlife biologist with Lake County Forest Preserve. Filipiak said that the trout-fishing season is only a short one.

"It was delayed a week because of a mistake by the vendor. We received a lot of calls from fishermen. But it has been a good first couple of weekends, and the fishermen have had success," Filipiak said.

Immediate delivery of trout was arranged from a local fish hatchery.

Banana Lake is located at Lakewood Forest Preserve near Wauconda. It is located just east of Fairfield Road and Route 176.

Illinois spring trout season officially opened on April 1. This follows fish release at more than 40 statewide sites as coordinated by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). Banana Lake is one of just two Lake County locations participating in the program. The Lake County Forest Preserve District stocks Banana Lake each spring as part of this program.

Fishing in the Lake County Forest Preserve is free. Anglers

ages 16 and over must have an Illinois fishing license. Trout fishermen must also have an Illinois inland trout stamp. Proceeds from the sale of the stamps help fund the stocking program.

Most of the trout range in size from three-quarters to one pound. The trout stocking is an annual spring event at the 3.2 acre Banana Lake.

Lakewood Forest Preserve has four additional lakes, including the eight-acre Taylor Lake with a maximum depth of 20 feet; five-acre Beaver Lake with a deepest point of 10 feet; two-acre Acorn Pond with the deepest point of 14 feet and four-acre Heron Pond, with a deep spot of five feet.

Most are natural potholes and sloughs that were dammed to create deeper permanent lakes and ponds. All contain largemouth bass, bluegill and channel catfish.

Find out more about these and other Lake County Forest Preserve fishing spots from a free fishing guide. For more, see the Web site at www.LCFPD.org or call Lake County Forest Preserve general offices, (847) 367-6640 to request.

More than a dozen LCFP lakes and ponds are featured in the guide, with depth maps and color illustrations of the fish to seek. Des Plaines River access points are also included, along with wheelchair access points, ice fishing information and more.

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Tax time is good time to check fiscal health

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McHenry – Over the last couple of years, credit card companies had gotten the impression that the average person filing for bankruptcy did so to avoid their financial responsibilities, not because they were suffering any real financial hardship.

A year ago, the U.S. Senate passed legislation that put limits on consumers' ability to erase their debts in bankruptcy, specifically under Chapter 7 protection.

Proponents argued the bill was needed to curb the five-fold increase in personal bankruptcy filings in the last 25 years. In 1980, 300,000 filed bankruptcy. By 2003, that figure had leapt to 1.6 million.

Virginia Peschke, executive director of Consumer Credit Counseling Services (CCCS) in McHenry, said that since the legislation went into affect, the number of clients coming through for counseling had doubled.

"Creditors thought these people were just deadbeats," Peschke said.

April is "Financial Literacy Month," and since it's also tax-filing time, now should be the time that consumers take a look at where they are financially and where they want to go.

Consumers who call CCCS can get help from counselors over the phone or by Internet, for credit counseling or on how to consolidate their current debt.

Peschke said CCCS has been facing some setbacks in Lake County, having lost their office that served Gurnee and Waukegan, but now they have a part-time person working at the Grant Township office in Ingleside.

Peschke said those who meet with lawyers to discuss bankruptcy have to set up two separate meetings with counselors. The first must be done within six months of their filing for bankruptcy protection and the second is a two-hour session on how to structure a budget.

Together, they can be four hours, and "that can be a long time on the phone" Peschke adds.

Chapter 7 bankruptcy protection will completely wipe out a person's debt. In Chapter 13, a trustee divides the filer's assets

among their creditors.

Peschke said CCCS and area lawyers have noticed that just as many people are filing for, and getting, Chapter 7 protection.

In many cases, she said people have as much as 40 percent of their debt from medical expenses. Others, she said, file Chapter 13 in order to save their home from foreclosure. In those instances, credit consolidation is not the answer.

"We could help about 95 percent of those people [who file for Chapter 13 to avoid foreclosure], but many just wait too long," she said.

Peschke said the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) has asked credit card companies to ask for higher minimum payments from consumers in order for them to pay their debt off faster.

"So, where someone can handle a payment of \$350, they might not be able to handle \$700," she said.

For credit counseling organizations such as CCCS, their payment rates will be the same.

According to Peschke, the most common problems for consumers with credit cards is that just don't understand compound interest and they don't live within their means.

"We have credit cards with 30 percent interest," Peschke said. "Those are like mob rates without the broken knee-caps."

When housing interest rates were lower, Peschke said a lot of people would get equity loans in order to pay off their debt, which in turn would raise their monthly house payments.

"We don't usually recommend those because people don't learn to spend less," she said.

In fact, many people pay off their credit cards with an equity loan, only to rack them back up again.

CCCS provides their services free of charge, though Peschke said they do ask for donations, which are tax deductible.

CONDELL CENTER

Crisis counseling available

The Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center offers walk-in and telephone crisis counseling and referrals for Lake County residents experiencing emotional stress.

This is a service of the Crisis Care Program, 3002 Grand Ave., Waukegan. Counselors are available 24 hours a day. For assistance, call (847) 377-8088. (A TDD, hearing impaired phone line is also available at (847) 360-2905.

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As mumps cases in Illinois rise, director encourages vaccination and education

Know the symptoms and how to protect yourself and your family

Dr. Eric E. Whitaker, state public health director announced Illinois has received reports of 72 cases of mumps, 35 confirmed and 37 probable cases so far this year.

Due to the unusually high number of cases in the state and an outbreak in Iowa totaling around 600 cases, Dr. Whitaker is reminding people to check their vaccination records to make sure both they, and their children, have been vaccinated, and also to continue good health practices.

"Mumps is about as contagious as the flu so it's important to cover your nose and mouth when sneezing or coughing, wash your hands often, don't drink from the same glass or share the same eating utensils as another person. If you know someone who has mumps or suspect someone may have the dis-

ease, restrict contact with them as much as possible. These are some simple, common sense things you can do to avoid getting the mumps," said Dr. Whitaker.

Mumps is an infection of the salivary glands caused by a virus. Symptoms include swelling of the glands close to the jaw, fever, headache and muscle aches. Children who get mumps may develop a mild meningitis (inflammation of the covering of the brain and spinal cord) and sometimes encephalitis (inflammation of the brain). Mumps also can result in permanent hearing loss. Serious complications also can include swelling of the testicles or ovaries.

Treatment options include aspirin, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs and time.

Vaccination is still the best

option for avoiding mumps. Schools require entering students to be vaccinated at least once for mumps. It is recommended that children be vaccinated on or after their first birthday. The mumps vaccine is contained in what is called, MNM, measles, mumps and rubella. Children entering school are required to have two doses of the measles vaccination. Because measles is part of the MMR vaccine, children receive a second vaccination for mumps as well.

Adults are likely to be immune to mumps if blood tests show they are immune to mumps; if they are a man born before 1957; or if they are a woman born before 1957 who is sure she is not having more children, has already had rubella vaccine, or has had a positive rubella test. People born before 1957 are likely to have had mumps during childhood, but it is possible they did not.

Adults should get the MMR vaccine if they are a student

beyond high school; work in a hospital or other medical facility; travel internationally, or are a passenger on a cruise ship; or are a woman of childbearing age and have not been vaccinated before.

"Persons with mumps are usually considered infectious from about three days before the symptoms begin until about nine days after the onset of the swelling of the salivary glands," Dr. Whitaker said. "Because physicians have not been seeing a lot of cases for many years now, this is a good time for physicians to refresh their memory about the symptoms, diagnosis and importance of reporting mumps to the local health department."

At this time, the cause of the outbreak in Iowa, and the increased number of cases in Illinois, is not known. There are, however, three Illinois cases with connections to Iowa.

For more information on mumps you can log onto www.idph-state.il.us.



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Sarah Cooper, breast cancer survivor

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To find out if you are eligible, please call the Health Department at (847) 377-8430.



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CLC offers student art exhibition

A juried exhibit featuring 64 artworks created by 53 College of Lake County students will be on display from April 14 through May 13 in the 25th Annual Student Art exhibition in the Robert T. Wright Community Gallery of Art on the Grayslake Campus.

A reception and awards presentation will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday, April 21 in the gallery. It will include refreshments and musical entertainment by Jazz Spectrum. The Lake County Art League will present two \$500 scholarships, and the CLC Student Activities Office will present nine cash Merit Awards totaling \$450.

The featured students were enrolled in painting, drawing, photography, ceramics, sculpture and computer graphics courses at CLC. The juror was Dubhe Carreño, owner of the Dubhe Carreño Gallery, Chicago, and an instructor at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

"The Student Art Competition is an important ed-

ucational component for the studio art disciplines," said Steve Jones, curator. "The purpose of art beyond the classroom is to communicate concepts or formal qualities. The student show gets students to think about the presentation of their works to a large audience. The jurying process deals with the evaluation of their work outside the classroom. Finally, the exhibit places individual artworks in the context of all the works on display, which is a good feedback tool."

The Robert T. Wright Community Gallery of Art on the Grayslake campus is a project of the College of Lake County Foundation and is located in the west wing of the main campus building in Grayslake, 19351 W. Washington St. Patrons should enter through the C wing and proceed toward the Learning Resource Center. For further information about the gallery, contact curator Steve Jones at (847) 543-2240 or at sjones@clcillinois.edu. Or visit <http://yyz.clcillinois.edu/art-gallery>. This exhibit is partially

sponsored by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency.

Eighth Annual 'Fear No Art' April 28-30

The Eighth Annual "Fear No Art" festival at College of Lake County will be presented at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, April 28 and 29 and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 30 in the Studio Theatre of the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts.

Fear No Art is a talent showcase of dance, drama, music, poetry and art presented by CLC students. More than 40 students are involved in 24 different presentations. Six visual artists will display their work in the theatre lobby. Students are involved as singers, dancers, choreographers and composers of music and visual art. The performance pieces range from solos to groups of 15 dancers, and students employ a large variety of musical and dance styles to express themselves.

"This event is a celebration

of the visions, inspirations and creations of College of Lake County students," said Valerie Alpert, CLC dance instructor and artistic director of the show. "The artists have contributed their work in an effort to share their passion with others. My hope is that the arts continue to be supportive of each other in order to foster an appreciation across all art forms throughout our communities." CLC graduate Lamaiya Lancaster is serving as assistant director of Fear No Art.

Tickets for the event are \$5 for the general public, \$4 for CLC students, staff, members of the CLC Alumni Association and seniors over 65 and \$3 for children under 12. For more information, visit www.clcillinois.edu/events. For tickets, call (847) 543-2300, visit the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts Web site, www.clcillinois.edu/tickets or stop by the CLC Box Office located in the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts on CLC's Grayslake Campus.

CLC Presents Choral Concert on April 30

Beautiful songs of spring will be heard at the College of Lake County spring choral concert at 4 p.m. on April 30. The concert by the CLC Singers and Choir of Lake County will be held in the Mainstage Theatre in the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts on the Grayslake campus, 19351 W. Washington St.

The CLC Singers' program will include the following pieces: "My Funny Valentine" by Lorenz Hart and Richard Rodgers, arranged by Jay Althouse; "Softly as I Leave You" by Hal Shaper and A. DeVita; "Stormy Weather" by Harold Arlen and Kirby Shaw; and "Jamaican Market Place" by Larry Farrow. The Choir of Lake County will perform the following pieces: "Sicut Cervus" by Giovanni P. Palestrina, "Jesu, Meine Freude" (BWV 227) by J.S. Bach; "Hehlehlooyuh" by James Furman, "Ein Blumlein Wenn's die Sonne Spuret" by Jean Berger, "A Gaelic Blessing" by John Rutter, "Simple Gifts" arranged by Marie Pooler, "Roots and

Leaves" by Ralph E. Williams, "The Peace," by Roger Emerson, "I Dream A World" by Langston Hughes and Rosephanye Powell, "Ain't That Good News" arranged by Moses Hogan and "Walk Together Children" arranged by Moses Hogan. (Program subject to change). The two choirs are directed by Dr. C. Charles Clency.

The concert is free but tickets are required. For information and tickets, call CLC Box Office at (847) 543-2300 or go to the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts Web site, www.clcillinois.edu/tickets.

The Box Office opens 90 minutes before each performance.

Spring Art Sale at Artcetera

Find unique and artistic gift ideas for spring and summer gift-giving occasions such as Mother's Day, graduation and Father's Day at the College of Lake County Spring Art Sale, May 1 through 3. The sale will feature 10 percent off all original art, including handmade jewelry, scarves, ceramics, sculpture and photography.

The event will be held from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Artcetera Sales and Rental Gallery. It is located adjacent to the Robert T. Wright Community Gallery of Art in the Learning Resource Center at CLC's Grayslake Campus. Parking is available in Lots 7 and 7A, near the Brae Loch Road entrance to the campus.

For information, call Donna Sands at (847) 543-2405.

Acclaimed Trumpet Player Allen Vizzutti Plays May 7

Acclaimed trumpet player Allen Vizzutti will be the featured performer at the College of Lake County's 29th Annual Guest Artist Concert at 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 7. Equally skilled in both classical and jazz performance, Vizzutti will play classical music with the CLC Wind Ensemble and jazz music with the Monday Night Jazz Ensemble. Both groups are directed by Dr. Michael Flack.

For information and tickets, call CLC Box Office at (847) 543-2300 or visit the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts Web site, www.clcillinois.edu/tickets.

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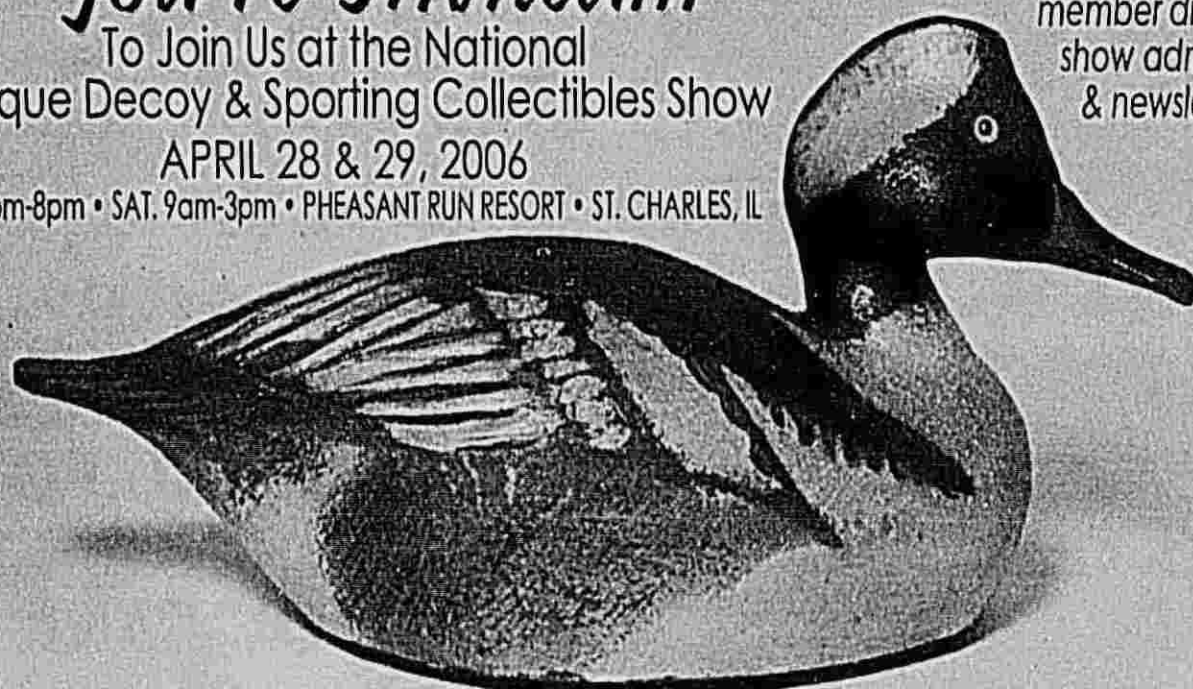
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MARY ANN HANSEN

Born: Sept. 22, 1937

Died: April 16, 2006

Was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Round Lake.

ROUND LAKE – Mary Ann Hansen, age 68 of Round Lake, died April 16, 2006 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. Born Sept. 22, 1937 in Chicago to James and Bertha Connolly. Mary Ann was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Round Lake.

Survivors include her husband of 42 years, James; her children James Hansen II of Round Lake, Ken (Cathy) Hansen of Round Lake Beach, and Michelle (David) Yarc of Round Lake Beach; her grandchildren; and her sister. Mary Ann was preceded in death by her aforementioned parents.

A Mass of the Resurrection will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, April 21 at St. Joseph Church, 114 N Lincoln St, Round Lake. Friends of the family visited from 4 to 8 p.m., April 20 at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium, 410 E Belvidere Rd, Grayslake. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 100 W Palatine Rd,

Ste 150, Palatine, IL 60067.

DORTE MILLE MCCLOUD (nee SMITH)

Born: Dec. 1, 1925

Died: April 15, 2006

She enjoyed being a domestic goddess, gardening, swimming, dancing

CALIFORNIA – Dorte Millie McCloud (nee Smith) was born on Dec. 1, 1925 in Oakland, Calif., to James A. Smith and Emilie Katrine (nee Rasmussen). At the age of 4, due to the Depression, was taken by her mother with her sister Ola to Denmark to live. Dorte embraced Denmark and survived through the Nazi occupation during World War II. In 1947, Dorte decided to return to the USA. During the boat journey to America, she met a Danish family, Norma and Harry Henningsen, who invited her to settle in Chicago. In 1951, she relocated to Fox Lake, where the Henningsens lived and became life-long friends. Dorte enjoyed life being a domestic goddess, gardening, swimming, dancing and antiquing. Dorte belonged to the

Women of the Moose in Harvard, and brought her love of Danish traditions into her family's life.

Dorte and her husband Harry enjoyed their retirement years between Green Valley, Ariz. and Redding, Calif. Dorte passed peacefully surrounded by her family on April 15, 2006.

Dorte is survived by her daughters Linnea (Bill) Weimar of Shingletown, Calif., Darmae Melody (Lt. Col. Bruce) Stalk of Puyallup, Wash.; grandson Ross Tyszko of Shingletown, Calif., granddaughters Melissa Tyszko of Cambria, Calif., Dana (Michael) Martin of Hillsboro, Ore., Lauren (Duane) Bell of Clackamas, Ore., Ashley Sedlak of Lacey, Wash.; two great grandsons Trenton Miller and Lazlo Tyszko; sister, Ola Sophia Christensen; and two nieces, Karin and Annette Christensen of Aarhus, Denmark. Dorte was preceded in death by her husband of 36 years, Harry McCloud in 2002, and a half-sister Sevil Madsen.

Her family sends her off into God's loving arms and whisper to her "Farvel og sove sod, vores kaere mor; vi vil alle vaere sammen igen" "Farewell and sleep sweet our dear Mother, we will all be together again".

LOGAN SCOTT ZELÉN

Born: May 3, 2004

Died: April 15, 2006

He brought a lot of love, happiness and joy with just one great smile

GRAYSLAKE – Logan Scott Zelen, age 2 of Grayslake, passed away April 15, 2006. Born on May 3, 2004 in Lake Forest to Kenneth T. and Jessica L. (nee Crutcher) Zelen, Logan was a member of St. Gilbert Catholic Church in Grayslake. He brought a lot of love, happiness, and joy with just one great smile.

Survivors include his parents Jessica L. and Kenneth T. Zelen; his grandparents Kenneth P. Zelen, Judith Zelen, Kenneth (Bonnie) Crutcher and Deborah (Thomas) Snyders; his great-grandparents William and Wilma "Jean" Reidel, Helen Kottis, Irene Cash, Lorraine Mohrbacher and Robert Mohrbacher; his godparents Julie Zullo and Vincent Zullo; and many cousins, aunts, and uncles. Logan was preceded in death by his great-grandparents Peter and Pearl Zelen, Thomas Cash, Alton Paquin, and aunt Aimee Ellis and uncle Jeffrey Paquin.

A funeral mass will be held 10 a.m., Friday, April 21 in the large

chapel of St. Gilbert Catholic Church, 301 E Belvidere Rd, Grayslake. Interment will follow at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville. Friends of the family visited from 4 to 8 p.m., Thursday, April 20 at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium in Grayslake. Memorial contributions may be made to the Ronald McDonald House, 1 Kroc Drive, Oak Brook, IL 60523

RICHARD HULL BAUGHMAN

Born: Feb. 29, 1936

Died: April 12, 2006

He served his country in the U.S. Army Corps

GURNEE – Richard Hull Baughman, age 70 of Gurnee, formerly of Deerfield, died Wednesday, April 12, 2006 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. Born in Chicago to Richard R. and Elizabeth

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(nee Hull) Baughman. Richard served his country in the U.S. Army Corps and was a retired stockbroker for Baird of Lake Forest. An avid golfer, he also enjoyed spending time with friends and family.

Beloved husband to Doris; devoted father to Lisa (Jim) Vielbig, Richard (Lylann) Baughman; stepfather to Donnie (Terri) Schramm and Dannie (Missy) Schramm; and adoring grandfather. Richard was preceded in death by his aforementioned parents.

A funeral service was held at 8 p.m., April 19 at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium in Grayslake. Friends of the family visited from 4 p.m. until the time of service at the chapel. Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 208 S LaSalle St, Chicago, IL 60604.

LORRAINE R. BOEHLKE (nee LUKA)

Born: Oct. 26, 1931
Died: April 13, 2006
She was a cashier at Pik Kwik Foods in Fox Lake for 22 years



INGLESIDE – Lorraine R. Boehlke nee Luka, age 74, a resident of Ingleside for 55 years, formerly of Chicago died Thursday, April 13, 2006 at NIMC in McHenry. She was born Oct. 26, 1931 in Chicago, to Peter and Martha (nee Duszynski) Luka. She was cashier at the National Tea Grocery Store and later with Pik Kwik Foods in Fox Lake for 22 years before retiring. Lorraine was a longtime member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in McHenry where she was former president and member of the Womens' Guild, Lay Reader, member of their Altar Guild. She also volunteered for St. Paul's P.A.D.S., as well as F.I.S.H. and the Food Pantry both in McHenry. She was a Brownie and Girl Scout Leader for many years, and was an avid bingo player. She loved baking and made cakes for weddings, birthdays, showers and all special occasions for her family and friends.

She is survived by her husband: George Boehlke with whom she was

united to in marriage on May 12, 1951 in Chicago; daughters: Carol (Steve) Holland, Diana (John) Longley Jr., and Terri (Bob) Zawada; grandchildren: Caryn (David) Urbina, Tom (Lupe) Longley; and Ryan (Tunde) Holland and Colleen, Denise and Patrick Holland; four great grandchildren, Samantha Longley, and Abigail, David Jr. and Isabel Urbina; by her sister-in-law: Patsy Luka. Many nieces, and nephews including Bob Woloszyk and great nieces and great nephews also survive. She was preceded in death by her brothers: William and Joseph Luka; and sisters: Delores Sireno and Marie-Katris.

Visitation was held April 17, from 11 a.m., through the time of funeral service which began at 1 p.m., at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, in McHenry, with Father Joe Dunlap officiating. Interment was private. In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. Paul's Discretionary Fund or the Fox Lake Volunteer Rescue Squad will be appreciated by the family.

Arrangements were completed by the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home in Fox Lake (The Chapel on the Lake)

JOEL W. MITCHHART

Born: Dec. 18, 1938
Died: April 6, 2006
He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corp.



PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. – Joel W. Mitchhart, age 67 of Port Charlotte, Fla., died April 6, 2006 at his residence. Mr. Mitchhart was born on Dec. 18, 1938 in Glenmont, Ohio and has been a resident of Port Charlotte, Fla., since 2001 coming from Spring Grove. Mr. Mitchhart was a retired Tool and Dye Maker and inventor. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corp.

Survivors include his wife of 28 years, Ramona C. Mitchhart of Port Charlotte, Fla.; his stepson, Jerry L. Cowart of Port Charlotte, Fla.; his stepdaughter, Angela Hogan of McHenry; his sister, Beverly O'Connell; his brothers, Harry Mitchhart and Gene Mitchhart all of Cleveland, Ohio; and three grandchildren.

Visitation was held on April 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Kays-Ponger Funeral Home Port Charlotte Chapel. Funeral services were held on April 13 at 10 a.m. at Kays-Ponger Funeral Home Port Charlotte Chapel. Burial

was at 2 p.m. April 13 at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Fla. Memorial donations may be made to American Heart Association, P.O. Box 21475 St. Petersburg, Fla. 33742; Attn: Memorials. Arrangements were handled by the Kays-Ponger Funeral Home and Cremation Services Port Charlotte Chapel.

ROSEMARY LEE CECIL

Born: Sept. 23, 1930
Died: April 7, 2006
She was with the first integrated unit of WAC



NORTH CHICAGO – Rosemary Lee Cecil, age 75 of North Chicago, died Friday, April 7, 2006 at the North Chicago VA Hospital in North Chicago. Born September 23, 1930 in Chicago to Richard and Cecilia (nee Price) Cecil, Rosemary was with the first integrated unit of W.A.C. in 1951. She graduated from the Chicago Teachers College at Navy Pier with a degree in Early Childhood Education.

Survivors include her daughter Sherry Gettig; her grandchildren; and numerous cousins. Rosemary is preceded in death by her aforementioned parents and her brother.

A funeral service was held at 6 p.m., April 13 at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium, in Grayslake. Friends of the family visited from 3 p.m., until the time of service on April 13. Interment was held at 10 a.m., April 14 at St. Mary Cemetery, in Chicago.

BEVERLY E. CALHOUN (nee OHM)

Born: July 6, 1926
Died: April 2, 2006
Was employed with Meier Pool and Fence Co., in Fox Lake

MCHENRY – Beverly E. Calhoun (nee Ohm), age 79, a resident of McHenry, for the past six years, and a former longtime resident of Ingleside, died Sunday April 2, 2006 at home. She was born on July 6, 1926 in Chicago to Frederick and Viola (nee delaMont) Ohm and was united in married to Joseph F. Calhoun in Chicago on July 26, 1946. Beverly devoted herself to her home and family, and had also been em-

ployed with Meier Pool and Fence Company in Fox Lake. She was a member of the Mount Hope United Methodist Church in Mc Henry.

Survivors include, her children: Dennis (Diane) Calhoun of Johnsburg, Debra (Tim) Sipolt of Mc Henry, with whom she made her home, Steven Calhoun of Spring Grove, her five grandchildren, Ken (Joy) Calhoun of Johnsburg, Shawn (Julie) Calhoun of Johnsburg, Chad Sipolt of Wonder Lake, Justin (Shelli Baskiewicz) Sipolt of Mc Henry, Suzanne Sipolt of Mc Henry; 10 great grandchildren: Joshua, Anthony, Austin, Hannah, Kody, Andrew, Matthew, Jacob, Joseph and Daniel; brother Bob (Marie) Ohm of Florida; sister Jean Crowder of Chicago; and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of almost 48 years, Joseph Calhoun; a daughter Suzanne Calhoun; and by her brother-in-law Bill Crowder.

Memorial Services will be conducted on Sunday, April 23 immediately following the 10 a.m. Sunday Services (approximately 11 a.m.) at the Mount Hope United Methodist Church, 1015 W. Broadway (Pistakee Highlands) Mc Henry, with Pastor Hyu Jae Lee officiating.

Memorials for the American Lung Association, 3000 Kelly Lane Springfield, IL 62714 or for the Mount Hope United Methodist Church will be appreciated by the family.

Arrangements were completed by the K.K. Hamsher Funeral Home 12 N. Pistakee Lake Rd. Fox Lake, IL. (The Chapel On The Lake).

BEATRICE ANN TROOST

Died: April 15, 2006
She was a model and entertainer and involved with cat rescue services

METTAWA – Beatrice Ann Troost of Mettawa, passed away Saturday, April 15, 2006 at the Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born in Chicago, was a former 20 year resident of Glenview, living in Mettawa for the past 13 years. As a young woman, Beatrice was a model and entertainer and has been very involved with cat rescue services.

Surviving are her husband Peter Troost of Skokie; her daughter, Becky (Philip) Vacara of Wales and grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew and Beatrice Adorjan.

Funeral services were held at 11:30 a.m. on April 20 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, in Libertyville. Interment followed at Ascension

Cemetery. Visitation was on April 19. Memorial contributions can be made to an organization called Hard Luck Feline.

THADDEUS 'TED' NADROWSKI

Born: Nov. 15, 1919
Died: April 11, 2006
He bowled with the Fox Lake Seniors at the Fox Lake Bowl

SPRING GROVE – Thaddeus "Ted" Nadrowski, age 86, a resident of Spring Grove, for over 34 years, formerly of Chicago, died Tuesday, April 11, 2006 at the Fountains Nursing Home in Crystal Lake. He was born in Chicago to Ferdinand and Mary (nee Grabowski) Nadrowski, and was married on Aug. 17, 1940 to Margaret Diger. He was employed by Chicago Surface Lines (C.T.A.) as an engineer for the C.T.A. retiring after 40 yrs with the organization. He bowled with various leagues, most recently with the Fox Lake Seniors at the Fox Lake Bowl.

Survivors include: his children, Robert (Sharon) Nadrowski of Woodstock, Mary Nadrowski of Spring Grove, Richard (Elizabeth) Nadrowski of Indian Creek; and his grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Margaret in 2000; a brother; and by three sisters

Visitations were from 4 to 8 p.m., April 17, at the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home in Fox Lake. (The Chapel On The Lake). A Catholic Funeral Mass was celebrated at 10 a.m. on April 18 at St. Bede Catholic Church in Ingleside. Burial followed at All Saints Catholic Cemetery in Des Plaines. Memorials for the Diabetes Association or for the Parkinson's Foundation will be appreciated by the family.

MICHAEL E. BITTNER

Born: May 14, 1955
Died: April 8, 2006
He was a 1973 graduate of Waukegan Township High School

LIBERTYVILLE – Michael E. Bittner, age 50, of Libertyville, passed away suddenly, Saturday, April 8, 2006, at his home. He was born in Waukegan and was a 1973 graduate of Waukegan Township High School.

Surviving are his mother Janet (Robert) Fabian of Mt. Home, Ark.; a

brother, Roy; and sister, Julie; and his uncles. He was preceded in death by his father, Roy Bittner; and aunt, Helen Likug.

Visitation was from 9 a.m. until the time of service at 10 a.m., April 15 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, in Libertyville. Interment followed at Ascension Cemetery.

ALICE M. SMITH

Born: July 29, 1920

Died: April 12, 2006

She was a member of St. Norbert Parish in Northbrook

GRAYSLAKE – Alice M. Smith 85, of Grayslake, passed away Wednesday, April 12, 2006 at the Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born in Minneapolis, Minn. She had lived at Saddlebrook Farms and was a member of St. Norbert Parish in Northbrook.

Surviving are two sons, Michael (Pat) Smith of Norridge and Steven (Sherry) Smith of Antioch; two grandchildren; a stepdaughter, Debby (George) Utiss of Jesup, Ga. and her brother. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lester I. Smith on June 16, 1994 and also by three brothers.

Visitation was from 11 a.m., April 17 until the time of service at 1 p.m. at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, in Libertyville, with the Rev. Yr. Val Laini of St. Joseph Parish, officiating. Interment followed at Ascension Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society.

INGEBORG HELENE ROZINEK (nee HOLST)

Born: Dec. 18, 1942

Died: April 12, 2006

She was a former flight attendant who loved to travel

MUNDELEIN – Ingeborg Helene Rozinek, (nee Holst), after 63 years of a life well lived, passed away April 12, 2006, at the Hospice of the Northshore in Skokie in the care of those who loved her best. She was born in Stavanger, Norway. Ingeborg was a former flight attendant who loved to travel, and had lived in Mundelein for the past 25 years.

Surviving are her husband, James Rozinek of Mundelein; her daughter, Erika (Derek) Nunamaker of Lincoln; two sisters; and her brother; stepchildren, Lisa (Jorg) Schiemann of Alamogordo, NM, Julia Rozinek of Senora, Calif., Tanya (John) Anderson

of Seaford, Va., Bret (Nancy) Rozinek of Del Mar, Calif.; four stepgrandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and cousins, all in Norway.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., April 18 at the First Presbyterian Church, in Libertyville. Visitation was from 4 to 9 p.m. on April 17, at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, in Libertyville. A graveside service was held at 2 p.m. on April 19, at the Union Cemetery in Lincoln. Memorial contributions can be made to the First Presbyterian Church, Maple and Douglas Avenues, Libertyville.

WENDY DANE-PETERSON

Born: June 17, 1953

Died: April 11, 2006

She had been a legal secretary

KENOSHA, Wis. – Wendy Dane-Paterson, age 52, of Kenosha, Wis., passed away Tuesday, April 11, 2006 at the Kenosha Hospital. Wendy was a former 11 year resident of Libertyville, where she had been a legal secretary for several law firms.

Surviving are her children, Marcee, Preston, Patrick and Chad Dane, all of Libertyville; her father, Dale (Gladys) Kreuscher of Kenosha County, Wis.; her sister, and her brother. She was preceded in death by her mother, Marjorie Kreuscher.

Visitation was from noon, until the time of service at 3 p.m. on April 15 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, in Libertyville. Interment followed at Lakeside Cemetery.

JACKSON HALE 'JACK' BAKER

Born: Oct. 18, 1921

Died: April 12, 2006

He served in the European Theatre during WWII with the U.S. Army

LIBERTYVILLE – Jackson Hale "Jack" Baker, age 84, of Libertyville, passed away Wednesday, April 12, 2006 at the Lake Forest Hospital. He was born in Buchanan, MI. He was a 1939 graduate of Waukegan Township High School and a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served in the European Theatre during WW II. He was also an ordained Deacon and former Cub Scout Leader at the First Presbyterian Church in Libertyville.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth Baker, (nee Stockstill); five children, Bradley (Ruth) Baker of Park Forest, Sandy (Jim Pearse) Patterson of

Libertyville, Susan (Kenneth) Bellinder of Mundelein, Barry (Margaret Ring-Gillock) Baker of Libertyville and Jason (Adrianne) Baker of Oak Park; five grandchildren; a great grandson, and his sister. He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Madge Baker and by his daughter, Beth Ann Baker.

Funeral service was held at noon, April 13, at the First Presbyterian Church, in Libertyville. Interment was at Lakeside Cemetery. Visitation was from 4 to 8 p.m. April 14, at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, in Libertyville. Memorial contributions can be made to the First Presbyterian Church, Maple and Douglas Avenues, Libertyville, IL 60048.

JAMES EDWARD CHAMBERLAIN

Born: Oct. 11, 1941

Died: April 16, 2006

He felt strongly about teaching skills which could develop into careers

LAKE FOREST – James Edward Chamberlain, age 64, of Lake Forest, passed away Sun. Apr. 16, 2006 at his home. He suffered from multiple

sclerosis, but passed away due to complications from lung cancer. He was born in Macomb, and grew up in Galesburg.

Over the course of 34 years, he taught all phases of Industrial Arts classes, Consumer Economics, and developed a course in Physics Technology. He felt strongly about teaching skills which could develop into careers for students choosing not to attend college. The family enjoyed ski trips to the mountains of Utah and Montana, the highlight being a ski trip to Sarajevo, Yugoslavia. He was a skilled carpenter and started Chamberlain Construction.

Surviving are his wife Ann "Angi" (nee Boyd); and daughters, Kaarn (Scott) Luce of Libertyville and Whitney (Sean) Mertz of Wadsworth, and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Fremont and Jettie Chamberlain.

Funeral service was held at 11 a.m., April 19 at the First Presbyterian Church, in Libertyville. Interment followed at Lakeside Cemetery. Visitation was from 4 to 8 p.m. on April 18, at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, in Libertyville. Memorials can be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society or the American Cancer Society.

LEROY F. 'LEE' MILLER

Born: Aug. 10, 1934

Died: April 17, 2006

He served in the Army from 1957 to 1959



ANTIOCH – LeRoy F. "Lee" Miller, age 71 of Antioch, died Monday, April 17, 2006, at his home. He served in the U.S. Army from 1957 to 1959. Following his discharge from service, Lee worked for the Lake County Highway Department.

Survivors include his wife, Kathleen (nee Garvin); stepdaughters, Renee Horton and Robin (John) Stewart; stepson, Ryan Horton (Christine Hildebrandt); grandchildren; sisters; and many other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Herman and Anna (Aschinger) Miller; first wife, Mary Graham Miller; brothers and sisters-in-law; a niece; and a sister and brother-in-law.

Funeral service was held April 20 at Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery in Antioch. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or Seasons Hospice, 606 Potter Rd., Des Plaines, IL 60016.

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Clowning around



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Six-year old Alexis Miller of Waukegan reacts with uncontrollable laughter at the Mine, Libby Green of Chicago, during the Waukegan Park Districts Eggstravaganza hosted by Waukegan Park District at Belvedere Park.

Boat show generates interest for new season

Boaters may get ready for the upcoming season and get a look at the newest and hottest boats and accessories at the three day Lake County In-Water Boat Show.

The Fox River Marina, a Lake County Forest Preserve site, will host the event. The times are April 28 from noon to 6 p.m., April 29 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and April 30 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The marina is located near Port Barrington off Roberts Road.

"It is dependent on the weather. It is a chance for the boat dealers to sell boats and for the marina to showcase its rental slips. We have 169 rental slips total. I think that we have one of the nicest marinas on

the Chain O' Lakes. They did a lot of research into it and came up with a first class marina. All of the slips are floating slips, so that they are not dependent on the water level," said John Scheider, marina manager.

The show, in its fourth year, is free and open to all ages and will be held rain or shine. The marina has been part of the Lake County Forest Preserve system since 2002. The Fox River Preserve and Marina is located on Roberts Road, 1.5 miles west of Route 59 near Port Barrington. Sponsored by area boat dealers, the show features special in-water demos that let you "try before you buy" along with a display of more than 130

boats from 30 top manufacturers of watercraft, informational exhibits, show incentives and purchase discounts.

The preserve's marina offers 20, 25 and 30-foot slip rentals, four-lane public boat launch and available indoor storage. The 509-acre preserve also offers 1.5 miles for hiking and biking and picnic pavilions that can be rented for a variety of outdoor functions. Anglers may fish from the preserve's shoreline.

For more information on the Lake County In-Water Boat Show, contact the Fox River Preserve and Marina at (847) 381-0669 or visit the Lake County Forest Preserve's Web site at www.LCFPD.org.

Abuse of power

• SHERIFF

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be shrouded in partisan politics. Lisa Madigan was provided the same list of 24 allegations of misconduct in Sheriff Del Re's office, so she and State's Attorney Mike Waller worked together on the investigation.

The other key element was when one of the list of misconduct charges brought about the indictment of the county jails superintendent Chuck DeFillipo. He resigned under fire after some sexual improprieties over the Internet were alleged. Then he was indicted for allegedly committing pension fraud when he overstated his tenure with the sheriff's department to enrich his pension benefit. Also indicted was Del Re's former jail superintendent Larry Lesza who allegedly was involved in a similar pension scheme. The indictments legitimized the Horowitz charges of misconduct.

This investigation that prompted Stryker's leaving his \$133,000 position reminded me of a column of mine way back in 1998 when an informant disclosed that certain deputies were angry that they had to use public vehicles on public time

to haul a boat and trailer to the sheriff's marina. As it turned out, the boat, a boat trailer, and motor were purchased by Undersheriff Stryker at a public auction sale administered by the Lake County Administrator-Public Guardian Joseph Vogler. He is the person who controls the estate of someone who dies without leaving any heirs.

I raised some salient points about the sale to Stryker and I always believed that the professional relationship between the sheriffs and public administrators offices should preclude anyone employed with the sheriff's office from bidding at such public auctions. It would remove any semblance of impropriety. It has come to my attention that Joe Vogler's term is soon over and the governor is naming a replacement who is a well known and respected attorney.

Another column of mine which I wrote about a year ago has some relevance to this Stryker case, although it speaks mostly to abuse of credit cards by elected officials.

It is my opinion that abuses of credit card and cell phone uses by elected public officials, as well as appointed officials, are becoming the rampant, unreported scandals of our time. It used to be when officials attended seminars, conventions, or conferences, they were bud-

geted beforehand on how much in public funds were allotted for their trips, or they provided receipts and documented expenses that had to be approved. Isn't that better than providing a county credit card and cell phone which carries the temptation for abuse? After all, that is taxpayers' monies that are being spent.

The bottom line is that someone is not tending to business in the sheriff's office. Sheriff Del Re reacted like too many public officials. He has been saying now that he takes full responsibility for every-

thing that goes on in his department. If that is true, why did he shrug off all of the complaints lodged by Horowitz? He didn't look into any of them; if he had, this three-year probe may have been unnecessary.

No, he took the political low road that we even see in national politics. You're either with me, or you're against me. That philosophy is especially dangerous when you are the head official in law enforcement.

My gut feeling is that many who work in the sher-

iff's department would echo these last two paragraphs. Otherwise, there would not be the drop in morale in the sheriff's office that many tell me exists.

Some will say these things are just brought up at election time. Unfortunately, that is probably true. The more unfortunate thing is that seems to be the only time when people really listen to such charges. If the final result is better administration of government and our laws, it is all worthwhile, no matter when the issues are raised.

Condell Auxiliary 'Springs Into Style' to support digital mammography

The Auxiliary of Condell Medical Center will host its annual spring fashion show and luncheon, May 6, at 11:30 a.m., at The Ivanhoe Club. Proceeds will go toward the purchase of digital mammography equipment for Condell's Women's Center in Libertyville.

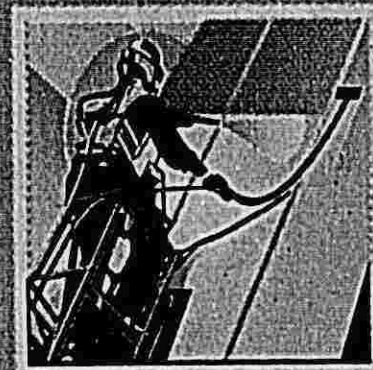
Condell Auxiliary members and their children will model fashions from the Catwalk Boutique, Lillie Alexander of Lake Forest, Condell Gift Corner, Centre Sports Shoppe and the Ivanhoe Pro Shop. The day's activities also will include a raffle and silent auction to win a bed and breakfast getaway package, dinner certificates, gift baskets, spa packages, professional skin care treatments and more.

Condell Auxiliary member Linda Oliverii, of Libertyville, is chairing this year's event. For

more information or to purchase luncheon and/or raffle tickets, call (847) 990-5615.

Condell's Women's Center offers an array of services, including mammography, ultrasound, bone densitometry and stereotactic biopsy. A specialized breast health nurse serves as a primary contact and guides patients through testing, diagnosis and in some cases, surgery, for breast cancer. Each mastectomy patient receives a complimentary camisole with a soft breast prosthesis from the Center to wear home after surgery. Licensed and certified specialists also provide confidential wig fittings, bra and prosthesis fittings, makeup consultations, and specialized skin care to help patients combat the effects of chemotherapy and radiation. Therapeutic massages and facial treatments also are available to the general public.

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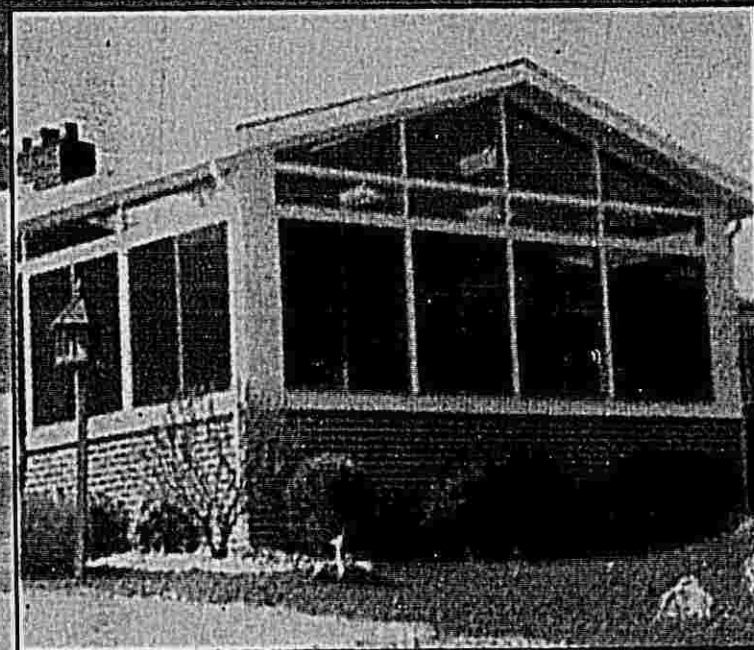
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Transform living spaces with a lighting plan

Walk through the rooms in your home and ask yourself a few questions. What mood or style is reflected throughout? Do certain rooms feel warm and inviting while others seem dark and depressing? Why do some rooms feel so peaceful and calming, while others are cold, dreary and uncomfortable?

Have you ever considered the role that lighting plays in the feelings you get when you enter a room? Lighting not only provides general illumination, it is also used to transform, emphasize, or enhance a space.

When illuminating a room, lighting can be used to create a mood, add drama or warmth, or highlight a special feature such as a painting, a plant arrangement or textured walls.

Lighting can be whatever you want it to be: It all depends on you and your style, your budget, and the type of lighting you choose.

Planning a lighting scheme

According to the American Lighting Association (ALA), lighting should complement your lifestyle. When planning your lighting, the ALA suggests

you look at the activities that occur in each room of your home, the atmosphere you want to create, and the decorative elements you wish to emphasize, taking note of those areas that serve multiple purposes and those that will require more than one type of lighting.

Types of lighting fixtures

Once you've selected what you want to light, you'll have to decide how you're going to light it. There are many different styles, sizes and shapes of

lighting fixtures to choose from. Here are some examples to consider:

Hall/foyer fixtures — create a congenial atmosphere while providing the general lighting you need to greet guests and safely move about your home.

Use ceiling, chain-hung, or close-to-ceiling fixtures in hallways, stairways, and entranceways.

Chandeliers — add sparkle and style to a dining room while giving you the general lighting you need for dining and entertaining. They can also be used in bedrooms, foyers, or over a living room grouping or a grand piano.

Pendants — provide both task and general lighting. Equipped with shades or globes to avoid glare, they are suspended from the ceiling over dinette tables, game tables, kitchen counters, or other work areas.

Ceiling fixtures — offer general lighting and are used in foyers, hallways, bedrooms, kitchens, baths, laundry rooms, etc.

Wall-mounted fixtures — are great for general, task and accent lighting needs. Many are designed to match and supplement dining room chandeliers, or to provide hallway, bedroom or living room lighting.

Bath/vanity lighting strips — supply task lighting while supplementing the general lighting provided by ceiling fixtures. These fixtures provide

excellent lighting for applying makeup, shaving and grooming.

Portable lamps — can deliver general, task and accent lighting while giving you the flexibility to move the light whenever you want. Table lamps, floor lamps, and torchieres are available in a variety of styles to complement any décor. Small specialty lamps such as clip-on lights, upright cans, adjustable task lights, mini-reflector spotlights, and desk and piano lamps fill a variety of task and accent light needs.

Track lighting — provides general, task and accent lighting all at once in one flexible lighting system. You can move, swivel, rotate and aim the individual fixtures in any direction along the track, giving you the versatility to change your lighting scheme when the need arises.

Recessed lighting — provides general, task and accent lighting, inconspicuously. Installed in the ceiling with only the trim showing, recessed fixtures can be used anywhere in the home — including outdoors, under the projecting lower edge of a roof. They are ideal for low-ceiling areas, and with a special adapter, they can also be used in cathedral ceilings.

Undercabinet/undershelf fixtures — offer both task and accent lighting. Under kitchen cabinets, they light a countertop. In a display cabinet, they show off prized possessions. They can be used in a workshop or anywhere you need lighting right at hand.

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Bag vs. bagless: vacuum sales clean up

While home electronics and other technological gadgets continue to be popular top purchases by homeowners, don't overlook the continued success of "white goods" — standard home appliances. For example, vacuum cleaner sales in both canister and upright models remain steady. However, there is a close running between traditional bag models and bagless "cyclone" types.

Cyclone vacuums offer the convenience of a bagless operation, where the homeowner simply empties a canister that collects dirt and debris. However, proponents of traditional vacuums with bags argue that the cyclone models aren't as clean as those with bags. Meaning, homeowners must deal with dust and dirt during the disposal process. They attest to the fact that the bags with improved filters and collection ability result in a cleaner operation.

Gardeners' Toolbox:



Necessary equipment for lawn/garden maintenance

What would a painter be without his brushes and oils? Could a doctor perform surgery without his instruments? The same could be said for a budding landscaper — his lawn or garden is much easier to care for if the right tools were employed. Plus, it might prove to be less strenuous work as well.

Prior to making any landscaping plans, make an assessment of your tool portfolio. Make note of anything you might need to accomplish goals outdoors. If you need help compiling your list, here are some good items to include:

1. Trowel: A strong, quality trowel will make easy work of overturning soil and getting to the root of weeds.

2. Shovel: There are many shovels out there, but finding one that fits your stature will make work much easier. Look for a shovel with a handle that

reaches your shoulders, the width of the bar fitting comfortably in your hands. Forged or stainless steel will last longer, particularly ones with an all-in-one steel handle and head shovel.

3. Wheelbarrow: This garden workhorse makes it much easier to transport heavy materials and equipment than by hand. Also, easily cart away lawn clippings, rocks and soil.

4. Spade: A sharp-edged spade will make it easier to divide perennials. Forged steel is not rustproof but will hold up better against hard objects like rocks under the soil.

5. Pruners: Pruning is a must in every garden. Removing dead and diseased plant parts as well as cutting back overgrowth will ensure healthier plants and shrubbery. A pruner is a precise, clean cutting tool. Ergonomic and mechanically assisted models allow you to cut through thick branches with minimal strain



A wheelbarrow is just one of many tools you should have in your gardening collection.

on your hands.

6. Hoe: A hoe, also known as a scuffle hoe, allows you to cultivate, weed and mix as you push and pull the soil.

7. Cultivator: These come

in many styles but essentially feature pronged, claw-like spikes that will dig and rotate the soil to loosen and aerate it.

8. Shears: Electronic models will allow you to quickly slice through thick shrubbery branches to maintain an appealing and neat shape.

9. Leaf rake: Plastic or wood prongs collect leaves and other debris.

10. Metal rake: Metal prongs overturn soil and work mulch or com-

post into the top layers of the ground.

11. Trimmer: This motorized device features plastic strings that spin quickly

enough to shear through tall growth and in hard-to-reach spots. Just be careful when using around tree trunks, so as not to damage the bark. Also, the tool may kick up debris, so use caution around pets and other people.

12. Mower: Whether you choose a manual, electronic-assisted or ride-on variety, make sure the mower fits your needs.

13. Hose: From coiled to drip irrigation models, there are hoses for all of your landscape requirements.

14. Edger: Give your lawn a clean, manicured look by trimming away any stray blades around the perimeter.

15. Lawn chair: After all of the hard work you put into caring for your outdoor landscape, you'll need a place where you can put your feet up and enjoy the view!

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Get your home organized

Is your home in need of an organizational overhaul? When you organize your home, it's easier to find items, you reduce clutter, and you'll have room for what you really need. Go through a room each weekend, and you'll be enjoying an organized home in no time.

Adult rooms

- Empty out the entire closet. Sort clothes into "yes" and "no" piles. Anything that you haven't worn in a year or two is a "no." Items that don't fit (or that can't be tailored to fit) are also "nos." Donate any of the "nos" to a local used clothing drive. Organize the rest with a closet organizational system that you can buy at most home-goods stores or have custom made by a closet-design company like California Closets.

- Also purchase a portable storage closet to store out-of-season clothing and formal-wear. Cover with an old sheet to prevent dust and mothballs.

Stash in your basement, a spare room, or the attic. If you are short on space, many dry cleaners offer summer and winter storage for out-of-season clothing.

- Take advantage of that space under the bed. Fill under-the-bed boxes with linens, blankets and other items.

Kitchen

- Outfit cabinets with "storage solutions." Pull-out shelves maximize space in a deep pantry. Lazy Susans organize spices in a corner cabinet. Wire racks keep pots and pans tidy.

- Put items near where they are used. Tablecloths should be placed near the dinner table. Pots and pans should be located near the stove. Stash cups near the refrigerator.

- Seasonal and entertaining items aren't used on a daily basis. Store them in the back of cabinets.

- Keep only kitchen-oriented items in the kitchen. It's the best way to prevent the build up of clutter.

- Keep track of what's in the freezer and what you need to buy. Mount a small magnetic whiteboard to the refrigerator to track what's in the freezer and when it was frozen. Use another one to jot down your shopping list or your weekly menu.

Kid's rooms

- Organize toys by categories like cars, dolls or puppets, and put into clear bins. Identify boxes' contents with masking tape. Make stacks short so kids can easily reach them.

- Organize clothing as you do your own, hanging shirts and pants in closets, and folding T-shirts and pajamas in drawers. Make sure kids who are old enough to choose their own clothing know where and how all items are stored.



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Tips for hiring a contractor

Whether you're restoring an old house, adding a room or two for a growing family or simply getting new storm windows, hiring a competent contractor is crucial for making your home-improvement venture a success. But before you hire one, it's a good idea to do your homework. That way, you can avoid the pitfalls — work left undone, bad communication, overpaying, and poor or incomplete work — that could arise if you're not cautious when you hire a contractor.

What a Contractor Does. A general contractor manages and oversees all aspects of the project. He or she orders supplies and pays suppliers, gets building permits and schedules permit inspections and, depending on the size of the job, hires and supervises subcontractors such as plumbers or electricians.

Your Search. The first step in finding a good contractor is to ask people you know — friends, neighbors, relatives and coworkers — for referrals.

Other good places to ask for recommendations are lumberyards, realtors, the local Better Business Bureau, or your local county or city building department that issues permits.

The next step is to call the contractor. "You can get a feeling for the person on the phone and, if it goes well, set up an in-person meeting," says Don Novak, chairperson of the National Association of Remodelers' Council.

Whatever you do, don't rush the hiring process. "Most people are in a hurry, and that's when they run into trouble," says Joan Stephens, chairperson of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry. Take the time to interview at least three candidates, go to see their place of business, and look at the work they've done. Speak to their clients and ask if they were happy with the job.

Red flags. First impressions count, including how a person talks, acts and dresses. "If they come in looking like the cat

dragged them in, that's a bad sign," says Novak. "If they don't wipe their feet when they come to meet you, chances are they'll tromp through your house, forgetting they have mud all over their shoes," says Stephens. You want to hire a person who not only looks neat and clean but who drives a decent vehicle.

"Looking at the truck they drive will tell you something about what their standard is. Trucks should look good, be clean, and not drip oil," says Stephens.

Watch out for contractors who solicit door-to-door, ask for cash up front, want payment for the entire job in advance, try to pressure you into signing a contract using threats or intimidation, or encourage you to spend money on temporary repairs.

QUESTIONS TO ASK A PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR

1. How long have you been in business? A well-established company usually has been in business for at least 5 years.

2. Are you licensed? Keep in mind that only 36 states require licensing, which ranges from a brief registration to an involved qualification process, so check with your state's licensing board or building department to see what the requirements are.

3. Do you have insurance? All contractors must have insurance in order to get permits. (Permits are necessary for even the most simple jobs, like decks.) If the contractor asks you to get the permits, it's possible that he or she is uninsured. Hiring an uninsured contractor spells disaster. There's a huge risk that the work won't pass building inspections, and you could be held liable if someone gets hurt on the job or if your property is damaged.

4. Will subcontractors be used? If subcontractors will be used on your project, ask to meet them. Make sure they're licensed and insured, if required by your state.

The Contract. All agreements — including oral promises — should be put in writing for your protection.

Window treatments 101

Windows are the eye to the outdoors. That's why you have to think carefully when deciding on a style for each room in your house. But with so many terms exclusive to the window industry, how do you see clearly? Here's a guide to help you sort out all of the jargon.



Window treatments add style and substance to a room.

1. Type: Horizontal blinds

Materials: Aluminum, plastic, wood and faux wood

Uses: Control light and privacy easily. Durable and easy to maintain.

2. Type: Vertical blinds

Materials: Aluminum, vinyl or reinforced fabric

Uses: Overlapping nature enables light control.

3. Type: Swags (curtains)

Materials: Soft or sheer fabric

Uses: A portable style that can be draped over another treatment or used alone to soften a window frame.

4. Type: Curtains and drapes

Materials: Fabrics in various colors and patterns

Uses: They can be designed to suit your decorating style. Fabric can add visual "warmth" to a room.

5. Type: Cellular shades

Materials: Sheer or opaque paper or fabric

Uses: Available in various

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6. Type: Roller shades

Materials: Vinyl, canvas or bonded fabric

Uses: Offer moderate to full blackout of light for total privacy.

7. Type: Roman blinds

Materials: Various fabrics

Uses: Manipulated cords and pulleys. Offer a casual look and add insulation

8. Type: Shutters

Materials: Wood or polymer panels or louvers; fabric, glass or metal inserts

Uses: Give an old-fashioned, cottage aura to a room

9. Type: Cornices or valances

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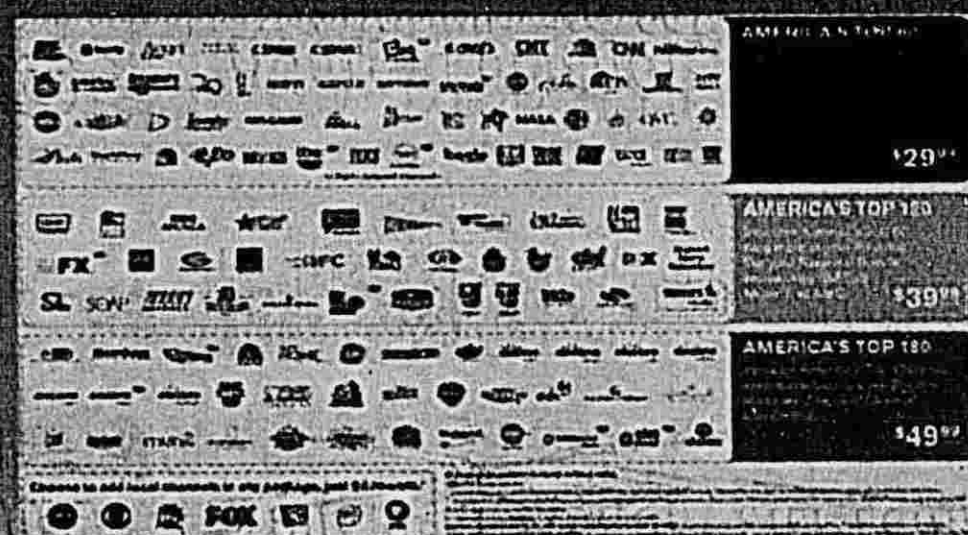
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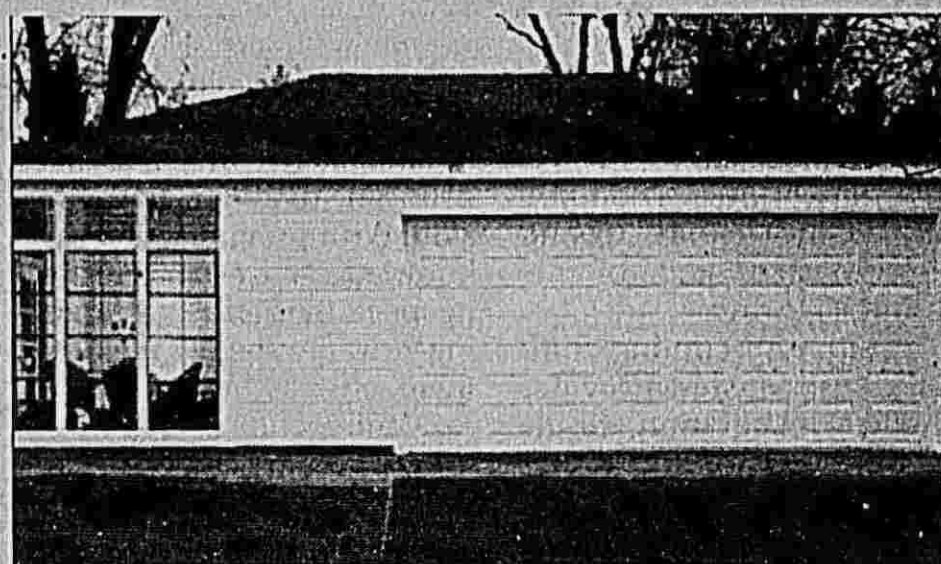
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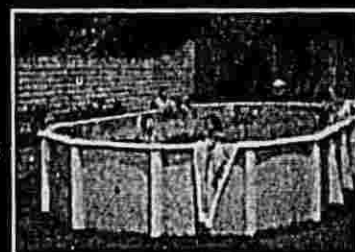


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Get sheet savvy for bedtime bliss



Thread count? Weave? Not familiar with these terms? Well, your understanding of them plays a big role in how you sleep. And how you sleep impacts your performance at work and at play—both mentally and physically. Whew! There is a lot riding on your knowledge of bedding. But don't lose sleep over it: This guide will teach you everything you need to know about how to make your bed as comfortable as possible—and get some shut-eye in the process.

How many sets do I need?

You'll need at least three sets of flat and fitted sheets on hand. While one set is being laundered, you'll have one set for the bed and one extra set in storage in case of an emergency.

What is thread count?

Thread count is the number of threads per square inch of fabric. The higher the thread count, the softer the sheet. According to experts at Bed Bath & Beyond, a home goods retailer, you should look for a count of at least 200 or higher for the most comfort.

What are sheets made of?

Sheets are made of all different types of fabrics. They are often a cotton/polyester blend or 100 percent cotton. A cotton/polyester blend is less prone to wrinkling and is more moderately priced. Sheets that are 100 percent cotton are generally the most comfortable but tend to wrinkle quite easily.

If you take these out of the dryer immediately and then either fold them or put them on the bed, they will be less likely to



Here's to a good night's sleep! One of the best ways to get optimal slumber is to choose bedding that complements your sense of style and comfort level.

wrinkle.

What is a weave?

The weave of a sheet is how it is stitched together. A standard weave is alternating one stitch over, one stitch under. A sateen weave is four stitches over, one under. This method places the most threads on the surface, making it softer though less durable than other weaves. Another weave type is a pinpoint weave, which is a stitch of

one over and one under. It's more durable than a standard weave, but not as soft as a sateen one.

How should I cover my sheets?

A bed covering, such as a comforter, duvet or bedspread, sets the tone of your room. (Note that you can buy a comforter and sheet set together, often called a 'bed in a bag'.)

Consider a bed covering

that matches more than one set of sheets. You can even buy a reversible covering so you can change the look based on your mood or the season.

What else do I need for my bed?

Other than two or three sets of sheets, you'll also need three pillowcases for each pillow, one sham per pillow, a lightweight summer blanket, a wool blanket for the winter, a dust ruffle, a mattress pad and decorative pillows. You also might want one set of ivory or white sheets as well as a set of solid color sheets that coordinate with your comforter.

What about my guest bedroom?

A guest bedroom should have two sets of sheets, one for the bed and one for storage. You'll want to have two pillowcases for each pillow, one sham per pillow, a bed skirt, a winter weight and summer weight blanket, a mattress pad and a comforter/duvet/bedspread.

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Petunias add panache

Too many choices for your garden? Don't know where to start? Or what to buy? This spring we have a secret for you: Plant petunias. Lots of them.

Petunias are one of the toughest, most versatile flowers you can plant, and they don't require a green thumb for you to grow them. You can plant them in full sun just about anywhere - in beds, borders, baskets or window boxes - and they'll bloom all season long from the time you plant them until first frost.

"Don't get just any old petunia", says Justin Hancock of Garden Ideas & Outdoor Living Magazine. "They're not all the same. Some varieties perform better than others".

The real performer and pacesetter in the world of petunias is the Wave petunia. This low-growing, heat tolerant, long flowering, spreading plant is the number one petunia in the world.

Yes, petunias have long been a fixture in our gardens and garden-scapes. Your grandmother surely planted them. Today's Wave petunias will wow you, adding instant style to any garden or container. Here are six ways to liven up your landscape with petunias - lots of them.

1. Decorate your doorway. The entrance to your home establishes your style. Create a fabulous focal point by planting a combination of colors front and center. Tidal Wave petunias will spread and mound quickly, instantly adding color and punch to the front of your home.

2. Put them on a pedestal and elevate your landscape. One of the basic essentials of design should include height to create interest. A simple solution to varying degrees of elevation in your landscape is potting petunias and placing them on a pedestal. Not only is the look distinguished and stately, it also adds enormous interest to the outdoors.

3. Bank 'em in your beds. A traditional groundcover is useful, especially in difficult to tend spots. This spring try



Decorate your doorway

using petunias to unify differing components in your landscape. The plants will not only provide an easy, low maintenance solution to landscaping challenges, they will also add mounds of continuous color all season long. These beautiful bloomers will soften any hardscape: walks, steps, driveways and rock walls.

4. Punch up your patio with pots of petunias. Not everybody has the time, space or inclination to tackle an entire yard. Container gardening, however, allows you to create an instant garden for any space, big or small. Plant four petunias in a terracotta pot and plop it on your patio. Create multiple pots in any color choice to create a flowering patio sanctuary. Best of all, with container gardening, redesigning your home landscape is as simple as moving and regrouping your containers.

5. Unleash them in an urn. Design your outdoor spaces with the same style and flair as your indoor spaces. Plant petunias in an urn as a centerpiece in the garden or patio to create true classic style.

6. Load 'em in your landscape. Let the flowers flow! Plant petunias together en masse to make a splash in your landscape. Then stand back and expect to stop traffic. Remember to take advantage of color combinations.

Complementary colors, such as pinks, purples and whites give a soft, soothing air to the landscape. Contrasting colors like whites and reds make a strong, bold statement.

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Dramatic home renovation: obtainable, affordable, brilliant

Has the bleak, antiquated look of the exterior of your home inspired you to turn your average, ordinary house into an extraordinary home? With cultured, or manufactured stone this goal can come to fruition.

Unlike real stone, which requires additional support systems to bear its tremendous weight, manufactured stone can easily be installed over existing brick or siding. As well as being attractive to one's sight, manufactured stone is an affordable way to give your house a total makeover. It can be applied to just part of a wall,

or an entire exterior can be covered with the cultured stone.

Manufactured stone has become an increasingly more prevalent fixture of architect's designs, on the outside of homes, but on the interior as well. Cultured stone may be best known for its use on fireplaces because it is light weight, easy to install and aesthetically pleasing too.

Brick yards and corporate hardware stores such as Home Depot and Loews, carry simple, monotonously colored and designed cultured stone, but most architects and masons would refer you to a direct manufacturer. By working with

a direct manufacturer, not only do you get to specify the exact color and type of cultured stone that fits a home as unique as your own, but it also assures a high level of quality. These aspects of renovation are crucial, because you want a product you know can withstand the polar opposites of summer and winter in the Midwest, as well as a product that is unique to your house, one that makes it stand out among a crowd.

All the key ingredients of a quality exterior product, ranging from strength, permanence, and warmth, can be found in manufactured stone.

It has the unique ability to turn the ordinary home into an extraordinary one; it turns the standard cookie-cutter style home into the only house on the block that receives attention and praise.

One Chicago-land area manufacturer is Northstar Stone. The newest feature available in the arena of home restoration is the ability to show you what your home would look like with any type and color of stone, prior to any commitment. Northstar Stone helps you by picking the appropriate style of stone, the most appealing color for that stone and they directly work with



masons, architects and builders to ensure that from the first visit to the final installation, the only outcome is your dream home. —*Courtesy of Northstar Stone, Inc.*

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Who doesn't like a deal? When you find building materials at a good price your fix-up job goes better. And the end result is more enjoyable. The Habitat for Humanity ReStore is chock full of new and used building materials—all at a good price. In February the Habitat ReStore moved to a new 18,000

square foot facility located at 3545 Grand Avenue in Gurnee. The Habitat ReStore is open Tuesday through Saturday.

You will find quality used and surplus building materials at a fraction of their normal prices at the Habitat ReStore donated by building material stores, contractors, demolition

crews and individuals. Businesses donate overstock and discontinued items. Individuals donate materials during remodeling.

Habitat frequently salvages materials from homes slated for demolition which bring architectural and antique treasures including wall sconces, brass

fireplace fronts, solid wood mantels, and wood flooring.

When stores go out of business, they call Habitat to empty the store bringing seasonal items. At times, landscape material is for sale such as patio stones.

Items for sale at the ReStore include solid core interior doors and closet doors in oak, pine

and cherry. A number of exterior and patio doors are available. A wide selection of interesting windows is available.

The ReStore currently has a large number of environmentally-friendly cleaning products. Automotive parts for older vehicles and newer auto carpet is also available.



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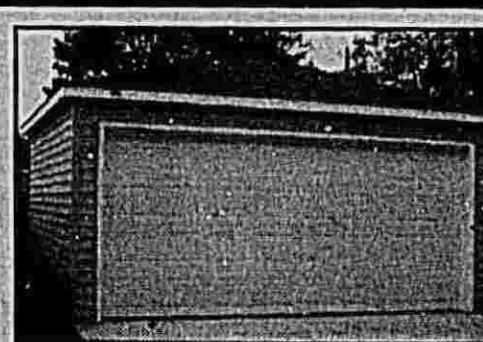
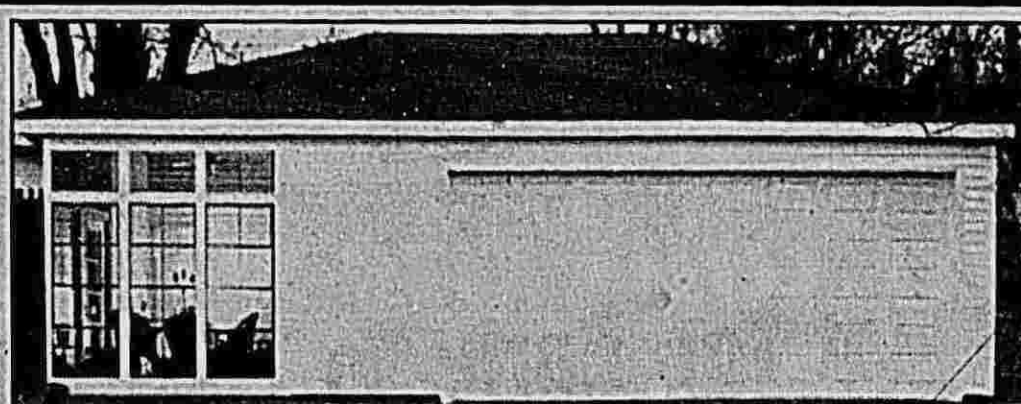
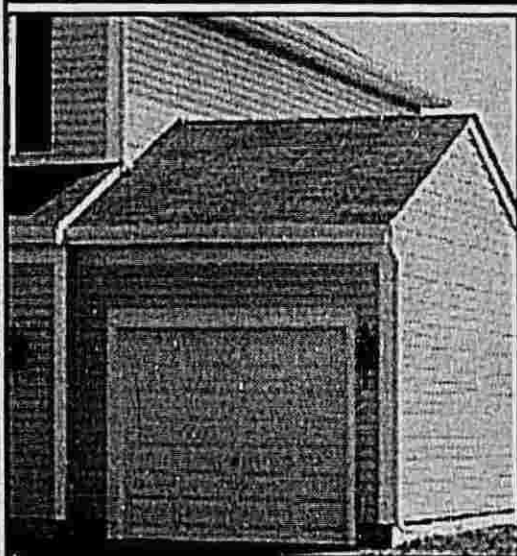
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